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### METHODIST CONFERENCE.

Delegates Here From All Parts of Province—First Session To-Morrow.

Preparations for the Methodist conference, which opens to-morrow evening at the Metropolitan Methodist church, are complete. A large number of the delegates arrived last evening, and the remainder are expected by this evening's boat. A feature of the programme for each evening will be the musical choruses which will be rendered by a mixed choir under the direction of Gideon Hicks. Selections from the Messiah and the Creation have been carefully rehearsed. The former will be given to-morrow evening, and the latter on Friday.

The stationing committee held a meeting last evening and another this morning for the purpose of completing their work before the convention. The first draft of the stations will, therefore, be ready to lay on the table at the opening session.

This evening a meeting of the ministerial branch of the conference will be held, when business pertaining exclusively to the ministers will be dealt with. The officers of the past year will preside. Rev. E. E. Scott, the president, will, therefore, occupy the chair, and the Rev. J. P. Hicks will perform the duties of secretary. At the first session of the

full conference new officers will be elected.

Rev. Dr. Sutherland, general secretary of missions, and Rev. Dr. Woodsworth, corresponding secretary of missions of Manitoba and British Columbia, will be present during the convention.

The complete programme for to-morrow night follows:

Hymn .....  
Prayer .....  
Chorus, "Hallelujah" ..... Handel  
President's remarks .....  
Address, Rev. Dr. Woodsworth .....  
Address, Rev. Dr. Sutherland .....  
Address, R. W. Harris, Esq., Vancouver  
Male quartette .....  
Messrs. G. P. Hicks, Jas. Hicks, Wm. Hicks and Gideon Hicks.  
Address, Rev. Dr. Sutherland .....  
Chorus, "Worthy is the Lamb" ..... Handel  
Hymn .....  
Benediction .....

The provincial branch of the Women's Missionary Society is holding its annual conference to-day at the Metropolitan Methodist church. Delegates are in attendance from all parts of British Columbia.

Rev. Dr. T. G. Williams, of Montreal, at the coming meeting of the Montreal Methodist conference, will ask to be received of ministerial duties, and will accept a position with a life assurance company, his action being due to ill-health.

## FUNERAL OF LATE HON. DAVID MILLS

**HUNDREDS FOLLOWED  
CORTEGE TO CEMETERY**

**News Notes of the Dominion—A Well-Known Presbyterian Minister Dies at Hamilton.**

(Associated Press.)  
Ridgeway, Ont., May 13.—The remains of the late Hon. David Mills were interred here yesterday. By special proclamation issued by the mayor all places of business were closed during the transit of the remains through the town. The cortege was followed to the cemetery by several hundred citizens.

**Pastor Dead.**  
Hamilton, Ont., May 13.—Rev. Mungo Fraser, for sixteen years pastor of Knox Presbyterian church, in this city, is dead, aged 67 years.

**Crop Bulletin.**  
Toronto, May 13.—According to a crop bulletin issued by the Ontario government for April, fruit orchards have come through winter in excellent order so far as weather conditions are concerned.

The only damage reported is from a plague of field mice, which appear to be working westward from the St. Lawrence. Their operations are regarded as menace to fruit culture.

**Gulity.**  
Romaine, the negro charged with murdering Louis Goldsmith, his partner in the tailoring business, on February 24, has been found guilty of manslaughter.

**COMMITTED FOR TRIAL.**  
Cumberland Cabbler Charged With Failing to Provide Necessaries For His Nephew.

(Special to the Times.)  
Cumberland, May 13.—Yesterday at Cumberland before James Abrams, S. M. Henry Kells, cobbler, Cumberland, was committed to Nanaimo assizes for failing to provide necessaries for his nephew, Frank McGee, aged nine years. The boy was found in Kells's hut, one mile from Cumberland, in a filthy condition, covered with vermin and impropriety clothed. He was taken to the Cumberland hospital on the 5th by Superintendent South, who also took charge of the boy's sister, aged fourteen, and removed her to the Children's Aid Society, Vancouver. Frank is a living skeleton, weighing only twenty-four pounds. The doctors say his condition is caused by insufficient food and lack of medical attention. Kells's hut was declared to be in a filthy condition, unfit for human habitation. Supt. Hussey investigated and prosecuted Kells.

**TO SEARCH FOR TREASURE.**  
Wrecking Steamer Reported to Have Gone to Scene of Islander Disaster.

(Special to the Times.)  
Seattle, May 13.—The wrecking steamer Henry Finch, in charge of the captain of the same name, sailed for Alaska this morning, where she will make an attempt to take the treasure from the wrecked steamer Islander, and the ship, Colorado, 15 miles south of Juneau. The steamer carries the most powerful modern machinery for lifting heavy weights from great depths. Captain Finch is said to be doing the work for an English insurance company.

**LARGEST BATTLESHIP AFOAT.**  
The Commonwealth Launched on the Clyde—Her Armaments.

(Associated Press.)  
London, May 13.—The Commonwealth, the largest battleship afloat, was launched at Govan on the Clyde this afternoon. She is the first battleship in the British navy to have her ten six-inch guns protected by an extended barbettes instead of by casemates. Her other armaments consist of four 12-inch guns, four 9.2-inch guns and 24 small guns. The new battleship's speed is to be 18.5 knots per hour and she will carry a crew of 755 men.

**BUFFALO FIRE.**  
Mills, Elevator, Cars and Number of Small Dwellings Destroyed.

(Associated Press.)  
Buffalo, May 13.—The diamond mills and store house, formerly the Lake Shore Transfer house and an elevator, all owned by Churchill & Co., 20 freight cars and several small dwellings, were burned early to-day. The loss, \$240,000, is partly covered by insurance.

Steamer Aorangi reached the ocean docks from Australia early this afternoon, with a large complement of passengers, nearly three hundred. The forward end of the freight department had been fitted up for the accommodation of the steerage passengers, of whom there were about 100. Among the passengers were 12 clergymen, who departed at Fiji to investigate the alleged burning of a church by Catholics. The Aorangi last night passed a full rigged loaded ship, bound in. She also spoke the Amphion, en route to Esquimaux. The cruiser should arrive to-night. The liner has 48 tons of freight, including 35 tons of coal.

### GRAND TRUNK PACIFIC.

Question of Ocean Ports Discussed at To-Day's Meetings of Railway Committee.

(Special to the Times.)

Ottawa, May 13.—The Grand Trunk Pacific bill came up again at the committee this morning. The preamble of the bill was adopted without discussion, and the siding was devoted to a discussion of the extending of the proposed road from Quebec to the Maritime provinces, to an ocean port all the year round. The committee seemed to favor an all-Canadian road with ocean ports on the Atlantic and Pacific.

C. M. Hayes, of the Grand Trunk, in reply to a series of questions, agreed that if a satisfactory arrangement was not made between the Intercolonial and his road for taking traffic from Quebec to the Maritime provinces port in winter, then his company would build a railway from Quebec to Moncton, from which point traffic could be taken to St. John and Halifax.

Some members wanted this placed in the bill, but Hon. A. G. Blair said that it would be preferable to have an arrangement between the Grand Trunk and Intercolonial rather than to parallel the government road. If no arrangement could be effected then the Grand Trunk could build. A clause setting this forth could be placed in the bill.

Some members spoke in favor of the government extending the Intercolonial to Winnipeg, so as to give an outlet to the wheat crop of the West.

No clauses have been adopted yet, and the bill will not come up again until the 27th inst.

### FRIGHTFUL ATROCITIES.

Bodies of Murdered Jews Reported to Have Been Horribly Mutilated.

(Associated Press.)

St. Petersburg, May 13.—The report published in the United States that a massacre of Jews, similar to the one which took place recently at Kishineff, capital of Bessarabia, had occurred at Tisopol, seven miles from Kishineff, is officially denied, and is universally discredited.

Additional details of the Kishineff massacre of Jews are printed here daily. The correspondents give the number of victims thus far buried in the Jewish cemetery at forty-four, and say that eighty-four persons, including women and children, were reported as having been killed. In one instance spikes were driven through a woman's head into the floor and cases of bodily mutilation have been authenticated. About 800 to 1,000 persons were arrested, on a charge of having been seen from Odessa to deal with the situation. The apathy of the local authorities during the two days of rapine and murder appears to have been fully established.

### FISH TRAPS.

All Members From British Columbia Are Not Opposed to Them.

(Special to the Times.)

Ottawa, May 13.—It is not true that the members from British Columbia are unanimously opposed to fish traps. The report of the commission would have been against traps had the majority of the same been opposed thereto. One of two members may be opposed to traps, but the remainder are in favor of them.

### FATAL RIOTS.

Ten People Killed and Two Hundred Injured—Strikers Set Fire to Quay.

(Associated Press.)

Santiago, Chile, May 13.—The strike of dock laborers at Valparaiso is becoming more serious. The strikers, after setting fire to the quay, as well as to the offices of the Southern American Steamship Co., had a number of encounters with the police, during which ten persons were killed and two hundred were injured.

A detachment of 6,000 troops has been dispatched to Valparaiso to quell the disorder. The government has refused all offer to compromise the difficulties, and is determined to adopt stern measures to restore order.

### TOO STORMY.

Big Yachts Unable to Race To-Day for Price of \$500.

(Associated Press.)

Gourock, May 13.—A storm of wind rendered it impossible to start the 55-mile race between the Shamrock from here around the Channel fleet, Lamlash, Isle of Arran, for a prize of \$500 offered by the Hon. Chas. Russell.

### BRIEF SPEECH.

Victorian Parliament Opened—Bill to Deal With Railway Strike.

(Associated Press.)

Melbourne, Victoria, May 13.—Parliament met this afternoon. The governor's speech was the shortest on record. He merely announced that parliament had been summoned to pass a measure dealing with the railroad strike.

—If you are going to buy a refrigerator this season, and keep your provisions fresh and wholesome, we would advise you to get it now, while the assortment is complete. Weller Bros.

The Toronto News's cable says a court-martial is in progress at Dunedin against certain officers of the "Dreadnaught" class. They are accused of "ragging" a brother officer, Lieut. Williams, who is a colonial "tanker" who gained his commission through bribery displayed to the South African war. He takes his position seriously.

## CHAIRMAN OF THE STRIKING UNION

**WAS EXAMINED BEFORE  
COMMISSION TO-DAY**

**A. Bailey, of Steamboatmen's Society, on the Witness Stand—Searchingly Questioned by Counsel.**

The proceedings in this morning's sitting of the royal labor commission were strongly reminiscent of a recent session in the police court. This was the cross-examination of A. Bailey, of the B. C. S. S., by Mr. Bodwell. The hearing of this witness occupied the whole of the morning session, after which an adjournment was taken until this afternoon.

Mr. Bailey, who is chairman of the Victoria division of the B. C. S. S., said this organization was incorporated under the "Beneficial Societies Act of British Columbia." It was a secret society, and the members took an oath similar to that administered in fraternal orders. He did not feel justified in stating the nature of the oath. Members of the fraternal organizations would not produce their oaths if they could possibly help it.

The chairman reminded the witness that if the commission ruled that the oath must be produced he would have to produce it.

Continuing, the witness said that there were about 100 men in the union. These did not include engineers. The members of this organization were now on strike against the C. P. N. Company, also the E. & N. Railway Company, and any vessel which carried "unfair" freight.

The witness then explained why the union went on strike, the particulars of which have already received considerable prominence in these columns.

There was a fraternal understanding between all labor unions that they would not work under unfair conditions. This was hardly a sympathetic strike. It was instituted because the C. P. N. broke its agreement. The strike began on the 16th of March. The strikers' places had not been filled to his knowledge, although the boats were running. They would remain on strike as long as the company carried "unfair" freight. The men were supported by subscriptions from various labor unions in this city.

The unions which had struck besides the U. B. R. E. and the B. C. S. S. were the longshoremen and teamsters' unions of Vancouver. Some of the B. C. S. S. members were at work, the steamer Victoria being manned by them. He admitted they only investigated one side of the U. B. R. E. trouble before they went out.

To Mr. Bodwell: Recognition of the union involved the exclusion of non-union men. This was his personal opinion. The local longshoremen's union and marine engineers' union were not out on strike.

Commissioner Rowe: "Are they unfair?" Witness: "Well, we consider them so. The engineers are the aristocrats of unionism; we work under them."

Chairman: "The engineers are the natural enemies of the union, then?" Witness: "Yes, so to speak."

They had men in their society belonging to more than one union. They did not dictate as to the class of work assigned to a man. There was nothing to hinder an older being shifted to do the work of a deckhand. They had had no pickets out during the strike. Men had been assaulted by members of the union—there were three cases.

The witness explained the circumstances of the assaults which have already been ventilated in the police court. None of these occurrences were justified or excused by the union. Any who practiced intimidation was expelled from the union.

To Mr. Bodwell the witness said he did not expect McBride. He went part bell for him. He heard the evidence taken in the police court in this case. The union said McBride's fine. The union did not go to bail for McKinnon, another defendant. If he had been fined the union would have paid it. He did not know that Thompson was ordered off the wharf by Capt. Troup. He didn't know anything personally about police being stationed on the wharf by the C. P. N. Company to prevent trouble. The U. B. R. E. strike was not one for recognition, in his opinion. It was instituted because of the discrimination by the C. P. N. against union men.

Counsel then questioned the witness regarding Mr. Estee's trip to Victoria, along lines similar to his cross-examination of Mr. Bailey in the police court.

"Confining, the witness said he did not know that Mr. Estee went up the line for the purpose of stirring up a strike."

Mr. Bodwell: "What did he go for then?" Witness: "I think these questions are out of place here."

Chairman: "The commissioners are of the judges who will decide what is out of place, and not you, Mr. Bailey. All you have to do is to tell the truth. What did Mr. Estee go for?"

Witness: "He may have gone in connection with the strike."

To Mr. Bodwell witness continuing, said he did not see any inflammatory circulars sent out by Mr. Estee. The local strike was not to assist the U. B. R. E. He did not know that the U. B. R. E. did the teamsters' strike to go out. He didn't know why they went out.

Chairman: "Surely, Mr. Bailey, labor unions know what they go on strike for."

Continuing, the witness said that he supposed the teamsters went out in connection with the U. B. R. E. strike. Some who went on strike were non-

union men. He didn't know if non-union men were requested to go out by the U. B. R. E. They possibly considered their interests identical with those of the union men. Non-union men would not be unfair.

Mr. Bodwell: "How can the word 'unfair' affect a non-union man?"

Witness explained that a non-union man could go out in sympathy. He supposed these in Vancouver did so. To the best of his knowledge no non-union man was intimidated in this city. The union was not responsible for what McBride did under the influence of liquor.

Mr. Bodwell: "Then why did the union go bail for him? Why did you pay his fine?"

The witness replied that the union could do nothing else than assist a member in trouble. The reason they did not help the other defendant was that after the McBride case he and others had been cautioned to refrain from interference with non-union men.

To Commissioner Rowe: "The union had pickets out in the early part of the strike?"

He personally knew of no cases of intimidation since the strike. He instructed the pickets, to molest no man. They were to act as watchmen, each man being assigned to a particular station.

The chairman said at this juncture that he had been accused on the street by a man who asked him for work. He advised the man to go to the wharf, but he was to "take his life in his hands."

The witness said that there was no cause for this man's fears.

The commission adjourned until this afternoon.

### CARPENTERS' STRIKE

**PRACTICALLY SETTLED**

**The Builders' Association Offer Union Slight Concession—Conference Held This Morning.**

Indications are that the carpenters' strike will be settled amicably. In fact it is considered practically over by those directly interested. This was brought about by a conference of a committee representing the union and the members of the Builders' Association this morning. The differences between employee and employer were thoroughly discussed, and both it is understood, went away satisfied that a settlement of the dispute had been reached.

The Builders' Association at this morning's meeting offered a further slight concession, which the union committee thought would satisfy the carpenters. Instead of \$17.00 a week with Saturday afternoon off, from 12 o'clock noon, they are to get \$18 a week with Saturday afternoon off from 1 o'clock. For work on Saturday afternoon they will be paid at the rate of 50 cents an hour between the months of April and September inclusive, and at the regular rate of 40 cents per hour for the remainder of the year.

A mass meeting of the Carpenters' Union was held last evening, when this morning's conference was arranged for. The feeling of the majority of the members of the union seemed to be in favor of reaching a satisfactory agreement with the builders if it was possible. Very few expressed themselves in favor of endeavoring to induce unions to strike in sympathy. It was, therefore, decided to appoint a committee to arrange a verbal discussion of the situation. This was done.

At this morning's conference both sides expressed their case clearly and fully with the result mentioned. During the discussion members of the Builders' Association explained that they did not employ over 50 per cent. of the carpenters of the city, and that the union should not, therefore, confine its attention to exacting higher wages from them. They should also get after the millmen and other employers of carpenter labor.

This afternoon a meeting of the Carpenters' Union is being held for the purpose of considering the proposition of the Builders' Association as decided upon this morning, and it is altogether likely that the strike will be declared off before this paper reaches its readers.

Should the union agree to the Builders' Association proposition as amended it will be signed both by the union and association. The ultimatum has been altered from the original in three particulars. Referring to wages the word "standard" has been substituted for "maximum." In regard to the condition providing for the exclusion of carpenter contractors from the union it has been modified by the words "if feasible," and scale of wages has been slightly altered as outlined.

### FALSE CREEK FORESHORE.

**The Premier Says No Portion Has Been Leased to Messrs. Burnett & Kelly.**

(Special to the Times.)

Ottawa, May 13.—In answer to Mr. Wilson, Lennox, to-day, Sir Wilfrid Laurier said in the House that no portion of False Creek, Vancouver, had been leased to Messrs. Burnett & Kelly.

A meeting between the royal commissioners and Mr. Dunsinuir was held this morning to discuss the question of the Extension strike. It is understood there was a proposition before them and the matter was considered at length with the object of arriving at a settlement. An interview was first held between Mr. Bodwell, counsel for Mr. Dunsinuir, and the commissioners, before the sitting, and after an adjournment was taken, the meeting between Mr. Dunsinuir and the Chief Justice and Rev. Dr. Rowe took place. What the substance of the proposition was it was impossible to learn, but there is no doubt that it received the most serious consideration of commissioners and mine owner.

## HISTORY OF THE SUBSIDY BLOCKS

**SEEKING TO FIND  
MOTIVE FOR CHANGES**

**The Chief Commissioner Questioned All Morning by Mr. Helmcken on the Matter.**

When the committee inquiring into the Columbia & Western subsidy matter met this morning, the cross-examination of Hon. Mr. Wells was continued by Mr. Helmcken. The latter went fully into the history of the transactions, endeavoring to get from the Chief Commissioner the reasons for the various transactions in connection with it.

In reply to Mr. Helmcken, Mr. Wells said that on the 10th September, 1900, an order-in-council was passed, approved of by the government on the 18th September. This provided for the B. C. Southern subsidy. Under that order the B. C. Southern could not have received blocks 4,533 or 4,594. The recommendation accompanying the order-in-council was signed by himself. No grants were issued in pursuance of that. Grants were issued in the fall of 1901.

He could not say anything was done in connection with the order-in-council of 10th September, 1900. His only reason for nothing being done that he could remember was that negotiations were commenced for the transfer. He had no recollection of who brought this matter up to him. Mr. Brown wished to get these two blocks. They were not given these because they were not alternate blocks. They had selected their initial block and were therefore deprived of the chance of taking these two blocks. Mr. Brown's request for these was refused. On 19th December, 1900, all orders-in-council were passed rescinding the previous settlement of the 10th September. Another order-in-council of 19th December, 1900, transferred blocks 4,533 and 4,594 to the B. C. Southern in lieu of deficiency block B, known as the Northern block.

Mr. Taylor and Mr. Brown had between 10th September and 19th December made proposals for a settlement. Mr. Taylor was the first one to speak to him about it. Mr. Taylor referred to a company which was forming for the purpose of "taking over blocks 4,533 and 4,594. Leading up to that they would have to substitute these two blocks for what had been given them.

He did not remember any more about it until a draft order-in-council was seen by witness. Mr. Brown also spoke to him about it. "I think that Mr. Taylor mentioned the C. P. N. as forming a part of that company." He could not remember having any communication with any member of the government about the matter. He remembered Mr. Brown referring to the saving which would be made. He remembered going to a meeting of the executive and Mr. Brown was sitting there. Mr. McBride was there. "I turned to Mr. Brown and said: 'I understand that the province will make a very large saving of several hundred thousand acres?' Mr. Brown replied 'Yes.'"

Mr. Helmcken asked for the reasons which prompted the government in making the change as indicated by the order-in-council of 19th December.

Mr. Wells said that he was actuated by the saving in area. He could not remember what any members said. When the order-in-council was drawn he was discussing the saving in area. It was not as large as he had expected. He hardly thought that the order-in-council was passed the same day as Mr. Brown was present.

He had understood that the saving in acreage would be several thousand acres. He had no certain idea of the value of these blocks at that time. The saving was found to be 147,331 acres. Witness had expected it would amount to 400,000 acres. He had no idea of the comparative value of the blocks. The company must have had some idea of the increased value of the blocks, but he would not have proposed this.

The executive must have been advised that they had the right to make the substitution on the 19th December.

Mr. Helmcken pointed out that on the 8th September the government had refused the application of the B. C. Southern for these two blocks, and yet on the 19th December granted them.

Mr. Wells had no idea what was the general reason which prompted the government to make this grant.

The arrangement of 19th December was not carried out. Mr. Brown came to him and wanted a substitution from the British Columbia Southern for the Columbia & Western. He could not remember just what reason was advanced by Mr. Brown, but he remembered he (witness) said: "Well, Mr. Brown, you had better make your proposal."

On the 10th of August, 1901, an order-in-council was passed. Being asked for a small print, Mr. Wells said that this bore out what he thought, that a map with a draft order-in-council had come to himself from Mr. Brown through the hands of Mr. McNeill. He found the handwriting of Mr. McNeill on the map. This map was forwarded to him by Mr. Wells. Mr. Wells presumed that this was the plan which was before the executive on 10th August, 1901.

It was pointed out by Mr. Helmcken that two orders-in-council were passed on 10th August, 1901, one was for settlement of B. C. Southern in full and the

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## SITTING OF THE LABOR COMMISSION

### EVIDENCE ON STRIKES, CAUSES AND EFFECTS

A Newspaperman, Shipbuilder, Business Man and Boilermaker Examined Yesterday Afternoon.

The first witness examined in yesterday afternoon's sitting of the royal labor commission was Chas. A. Gregg, of the Colonist staff, who was editor of the Rossland Miner during the strike at that city in 1901. The months particularly by Mr. Bodwell, who examined the witness, were July, August and September. Mr. Gregg gave evidence as to the accuracy of certain statements, articles and interviews regarding the strike, appearing in the Miner while he was editor.

To the chairman he said that the Rossland Miner at that time was the organ of the mine workers' union. The Evening World was the paper of the miners.

The examination of Geo. Penketh, of the Boilermakers' union, who gave evidence in the morning, was resumed as soon as the previous witness concluded his testimony. A considerable portion of what Mr. Penketh said was inaudible to the reporters, and does not, therefore, appear in the report. In regard to the Garonne, he did not consider the union men had broken faith with Mr. Seabrook, because there was no strike across the line when they agreed to do it.

Mr. Seabrook, in reply to the chairman, said that he had signed the contract with Frank Waterhouse for the repairs to the Garonne before the strike of the boilermakers took place.

To the chairman Mr. Penketh replied that he did not consider the union organization of boilermakers, that is one with headquarters in Canada, would give them more control over their actions than they possessed now. He admitted, however, that they had not been associated with the American organization they could have taken the work on Canadian soil if they had not complained against were not at work by 1 o'clock next day the services of the others would not be required any longer. The two were not at work at the time specified and the others went out. The trouble was settled after two weeks. The principal point in the settlement was that the firm had the right to employ outside union men if there were not enough local members.

The conciliation was brought about through the efforts of members of the local Trades and Labor Council. They acted as a sort of conciliatory board. A permanent board of arbitration was thought would be useful if it could be kept outside of any influence. It would be well to have a judge of the Supreme court appoint the third arbitrator.

To the Chairman—The difficulty in dealing with unions was that the men didn't appreciate the fact that the employers should receive greater consideration. Furthermore, he didn't think the better element in the unions took the interest in the matters they should. The advantage derived from unions was the creation of a uniform scale of wages, placing employers on an equal footing. The agreement between the company and men set forth that the company couldn't inaugurate a lockout without giving the men a week's notice, and the men could not strike without giving the company that much notice. The union could not alter their by-laws without giving six months' notice. The recognition of the union involved the exclusion of non-union men. Incorporation, he thought, would facilitate the making of agreements. Their experience in understanding was that the union had been satisfactory. The fact that the local shipwrights' union was not affiliated with an international organization made them feel more secure in their dealing with them.

Simon Leiser, the next witness examined, said that he had an establishment at Comox for twelve years, and that at Ladysmith for two years. He had had no experience with strikes at Comox, but had at Ladysmith. Strikes had a bad effect on trade. Jobbing business done with Ladysmith from here had depreciated 50 per cent. since the strike. The business done directly with the men at Ladysmith had fallen off 25 per cent. Collections had deteriorated to a similar extent. If the strike continued the money due them from the men would be altogether lost. The grocery business was more seriously affected. Since the first of May trade had been very bad. The various strikes which have occurred in this province had exercised a disastrous effect upon trade. The effect of the Wellington collieries strike on the business of Victoria was very serious. The company's pay roll at Ladysmith was probably \$75,000 to \$100,000 per month, 30 per cent. of which went to Victoria. In this particular alone Victoria had lost about \$25,000 per month since the strike. Altogether he would estimate the loss to this city's trade at about \$50,000 per month. The witness said he would try to obtain particulars of the falling off in the trade of the province in consequence of the various strikes. He knew of business failures due to strikes.

To the chairman he said he could give no idea of a solution of the trouble. The government would have to intervene. He suggested that in the event of two arbitrators being unable to agree on a third the Dominion government should make the selection.

Chairman—"There somebody down there will have to know something more about British Columbia than most of them."

To Mr. Bodwell the witness said the government should appoint a business man of the province.

T. H. Twigg swore to the identity of the constitution of the American Federation of Labor submitted as in evidence. He said the typographical union was not incorporated. The members took an obligation to observe the rules and by-laws. He was the British Columbia secretary of the Dominion Trades and Labor Council, and local organizer of the American Federation of Labor. As such his duties were to organize workmen's unions and not necessarily to secure their affiliation with the American Federation of Labor. He was allowed no salary for this work.

To Rev. Dr. Rowe he said the typographical union had a burial fund. Usually the local unions formed a benefit fund. They had a home at Colorado Springs, for ladies printers. Witness had organized seventeen unions, fourteen of which were in existence to-day. Most of all were trades. The central body imposed a certain fee for a charter and the local organizer received a commission. The Dominion Trades Congress would not issue a charter to a local union which was not connected with its international body if there was one, but would affiliate with them. This meant that if Canadian unions didn't join international organizations they would have to stand alone.

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The use of the label was a protection to the public, guaranteeing that the goods were produced under just conditions, and that the men received equitable remuneration; and it was almost a guarantee that they are produced under sanitary conditions. As to the international aspect of trade-unionism, he thought the organizations had a tendency to make people friendly.

The commission adjourned until this morning.

Another British Success.

The Capture of Sokoto Which Added 100,000 Square Miles to Northern Nigeria.

London, May 12.—Colonial Secretary Chamberlain announced in the House of Commons to-day that as a result of the British military operations in the Sokoto and Kano districts, ending with the capture of the Emir of Kano, 100,000 square miles of territory had been added to Northern Nigeria, a large part of which was administered by the government of that territory.

Details have been received here of the capture of Sokoto on March 14th by the British column commanded by Col. Morland. The engagement lasted two and a half hours. The British numbered about 500 men, with four quick-fire guns and four Maxim's. The enemy's force and foot were estimated to number some 6,000 men, their rifles being armed with modern rifles and using smokeless powder.

At daybreak on March 14th, the British moved out in square formation toward the valley in which Sokoto lies. Immediately the British appeared over a ridge the Fulanis charged with fanatical bravery, undeterred by a withering Maxim and rifle fire. They had no pepper in their hands, but the isolated bands continued to advance over a heap of dead and dying, often only individuals reaching within a yard of the square, where, refusing quarter, they were shot down while shouting, "Allah!" with their last breath.

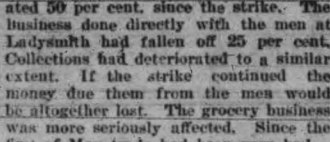
The main body of the natives was finally routed, leaving a remnant of about thirty chiefs around the Emir's great white flag. These chiefs were defiant to the last, and their corpses were found heaped in the standard which the British entered the city, which consisted mostly of thatched houses. Its semi-circular walls extended seven miles around the place and were pierced by eight gates.

A few days later the populace returned and the Fulanis tendered their submission to Commander Lugard, who installed a new Emir. The British then retired toward the coast, leaving a garrison of two companies of infantry.

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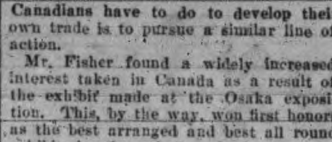
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## WEATHER BULLETIN.

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Victoria, May 12-5 a.m.—An extensive  
storm area is slowly spreading over this  
province from the Pacific; it will cause a  
general rainfall, and increasing winds on  
the Strait. A southerly gale now pre-  
vails on the coast from Vancouver Island  
to the Columbia river. The weather has  
been decidedly warm throughout the Pacific  
slope and also across the territories to  
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## FORECAST.

For 36 hours ending 5 p.m. Thursday:  
Victoria and vicinity—Fresh to strong  
southerly to westerly winds, unsettled and  
mild with rain.  
Lower Mainland—Unsettled and mild  
with rain.

## REPORTS.

Victoria—Barometer, 29.72; temperature  
51, minimum 51; wind, calm; rain, 0.1;  
weather, fair.

New Westminster—Barometer, 29.74;  
temperature 52, minimum 42; wind, 6 miles  
east; rain, .02; weather, cloudy.

Kamloops—Barometer, 29.84; temperature  
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Edmonton—Barometer, 29.93; tempera-  
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Williamson, S. J. Thompson, H. Dier, Roy  
Dier, Jas. Baron, Arthur Fletcher, C. H.  
Anderson, R. Thompson and wife, Miss  
Thompson, C. A. Chislet, A. R. Barrow,  
R. B. Miller, H. McLaughlin, E. L. Strang,  
McK. Jordan and wife, G. J. Wonder, M.  
Baker, J. L. Beckwith, E. Prendergast, J.  
Reid, M. P. Thompson, Miss Chislet, Mrs.  
McPherson, A. N. Gray, Clarence O'Brien,  
W. A. O'Brien, J. F. Hewitt, W. H. Hutter,  
Frank, E. E. Scott and wife and two boys,  
Miss Hepburn, Miss Semmich, J. W. Hed-  
ley, A. E. Green, S. J. Green, G. S. Wil-  
liams, C. Bryant, E. Maxwell, C. H. Sut-  
cliff, J. Calvert, H. H. Phillips, J. A.  
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Mrs. F. Cunningham, Mrs. Robinson, H. H.  
Booth, Mrs. Green, J. H. White, Mrs. Mc-  
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McLellan, W. M. Griffin, Mrs. E. Ren-  
dale, W. D. Woodworth, C. Steers, Mrs.  
Neelds, Mrs. J. S. H. Matson, Miss Mc-  
Arthur.

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Mrs. Hunter, L. M. Thompson and wife,  
Miss Alexander, Mrs. Starbuck, Mrs. Mc-  
Lear and wife, J. J. Belmont and wife, C.  
O. Pyle and wife, T. Williams, Miss He-  
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donald, W. B. Mackenzie, Ernest Wolfe, Miss  
Dunsmuir, Miss Ritchie, R. P. L. H. H.  
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Nelson, N. Johnson, B. H. Salford, H. Mc-  
Ken, E. Clark, O. Hancock, Mrs. Bennett,  
A. Giff and wife, T. Williams, Miss He-  
France, Miss Bettman, Mrs. Frischo, Miss  
Parker, O. M. Dunn, J. K. Devlin, Adena  
Collins, G. Hager, Geo. Gibson, W. Swan,  
C. Pratt, Mrs. J. B. Howard, Mrs. A.  
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would be accompanied to the coast by the  
C. P. R. solicitor at Montreal, Mr.  
Creelman, and by Mr. Oswald, another  
official, who is also secretary of the Col-  
umbia & Western railroad.

Mr. Davies gave a clear outline of what  
the contention of the railroad company is  
with respect to this matter. These  
officials are coming apparently for the  
direct purpose of establishing that Hon.  
Mr. Wells made an actual delivery of the  
crown grants at Montreal, and that he  
afterwards got them from the officials.

It is therefore not to be expected that  
next week's sittings before the commit-  
tee will be the most sensational of the  
whole proceedings.

Hon. Mr. Wells was the witness nearly  
all the afternoon. An amusing incident  
occurred during the examination of the  
witness by Mr. Davies. When the P. C.  
counsel took up the question of bill  
87 of 1902, he produced a closely  
wrinkled copy which he afterwards  
said he got from Mr. Brown. For some  
time the copy supposed to be in the  
hands of the committee had been mis-  
sing. An examination of this bill showed  
that it was the committee's exhibit.

The wrinkled appearance is accounted  
for from the fact that during yesterday  
morning's examination of Mr. Brown he  
necessitated handling a piece of paper  
folded as small as he could do it. The  
unfortunate piece of paper proved to be  
none other than bill 87, which he un-  
wittingly had subjected to such ill-use.  
His crumpled appearance makes it easily  
known now.

Mr. Wells, in his cross-examination by  
E. P. Davies, said that Mr. Taylor came  
to see him several times in connection  
with getting the land for the B. C.  
Southern. He did not ask him who he  
appeared for.

Mr. Davies thought this peculiar that  
he never asked him for whom he ap-  
peared. Mr. Wells said that he had an idea  
that he was appearing for Mr. Brown.

He never satisfied himself on this point  
by asking either Mr. Brown or Mr. Taylor.

For the executive meeting of 10th  
August he signed the recommendation.

"You approved of it?" asked Mr.  
Davies. "Well I thought it was a matter  
that had been settled," returned Mr.  
Wells. If he had had objections, Mr.  
Wells said, he had given way and ap-  
proved of this at the time. He had ob-  
jections, he remembered at some time.  
He gave way.

"Did you confer with your col-  
leagues?" asked Mr. Davies. Mr. Wells  
would not say he conferred. He signed  
the recommendation, in that far he con-  
curred. There were no conditions ex-  
cept what were in the settlement order.

"What occurred to induce you to be-  
come dissatisfied?" asked Mr. Davies. Mr.  
Wells could not give any particular rea-  
son.

"Doesn't that seem remarkable?"  
queried Mr. Davies. "No. At a meet-  
ing previous to this one his assent was  
given. I had disagreed with it," returned  
Mr. Wells.

"Who first suggested building to  
Spence's Bridge?" inquired Mr. Davies.  
"I did," returned Mr. Wells.

"Was it not Mr. Dunsmuir?" asked  
Mr. Davies. "No, I did it," replied Mr.  
Wells. That was not the reason for  
sending for Mr. Dunsmuir, the Chief  
Commissioner explained. He had rea-  
sons to suppose that Mr. Dunsmuir did  
not fully understand the settlement.

"Did this not seem peculiar that one  
of the executive and he the Premier,  
did not understand it?" queried Mr.  
Davies. "Was it your intention that if  
Mr. Dunsmuir did not understand it that  
you would have a change made?" he  
further asked. "Well I don't know,"  
replied Mr. Wells.

"That could be the only result," said  
Mr. Davies.

Even if an order-in-council had been  
passed the Premier might direct the  
course by orders, replied Mr. Wells. If  
Premier said not to deliver the crown  
grants, would he not deliver them?

Mr. Davies asked if it would not have  
been better to have had a meeting of  
the executive before deciding upon a  
change. "Well that was not the course  
we took," replied Mr. Wells.

"If Sir Thomas Shaughnessy had agreed  
to build to Spence's Bridge and sufficient  
assurances had been given in that mat-  
ter, would the crown grants have been  
delivered?" asked Mr. Davies.

He pressed to know if such could have  
been carried out. He wanted to know  
if Mr. Wells had the power to enter into  
such an agreement.

According to the memorandum he had  
apparently decided to submit it again to  
the executive, replied Mr. Wells. It  
would have been a useless thing to have  
taken the crown grants along if he had  
intended to submit the matter to the  
executive again. Apparently he had not  
that in contemplation when he left.

He left for Montreal on 28th October.  
He arrived there on 4th November. He  
was in Toronto about 11th November,  
and went back to Montreal about 20th  
November. He could not say when he  
delivered the 22 crown grants which were  
taken down also independent of these  
two for blocks 4,503 and 4,504. He  
could not say whether or not he had the  
conversation with Mr. Taylor before he  
delivered the grants.

When Mr. Taylor made his proposition  
which he believed Mr. Taylor and Mr.  
Brown were working together, he said  
"Who was Mr. Taylor working for?"  
asked Mr. Davies. "I don't know. I

don't know who he was working for,"  
returned Mr. Wells.

Mr. Davies wanted to know if Mr. Tay-  
lor would not have to have the con-  
currence of the C. P. R. in order to put this  
deal through.

Mr. Wells said he did not know. He  
did not mention it to Sir Thomas Shaugh-  
nessy. It was a somewhat private mat-  
ter. He would not say that he kept it  
back out of respect to Mr. Taylor. He  
told it to his colleagues, because he had  
no private matters to keep from them in  
such an event.

He told Sir Thomas Shaughnessy the  
arrangement Mr. Dunsmuir had agreed to.  
He did not know whether he told  
Sir Thomas that he had the grants or  
not. Sir Thomas did not, as well as he  
remembered, express any surprise when  
he told him he would not deliver the  
crown grants. He explained that there  
was a difficulty in the delivery of them.  
Sir Thomas suggested that he should  
prepare a memo, giving the conditions  
upon which it was proposed to build this  
road.

"The delivery of crown grants was  
one of the considerations upon which the  
road would be built to Spence's Bridge,"  
asked Mr. Davies. "You put it the wrong  
way," returned Mr. Wells. "Indirectly  
it would be one. The crown grants were  
in consideration for the building of sec-  
tion 3, and in his own office for the building  
to Spence's Bridge."

"Why didn't you show that in the  
memorandum to Sir Thomas Shaugh-  
nessy?" asked Mr. Davies. "The two  
were separate," returned Mr. Wells.  
The delivery of the crown grants was to  
be in consideration of building section 3.

Mr. Davies pressed that there were  
three conditions for the building to  
Spence's Bridge; first, a cash subsidy;  
second, reinstatement in connection with  
subsidy for section 4, and third, delivery  
of crown grants for section 2.

Mr. Wells objected that the delivery  
of the grants for section 3 were not a  
condition of the building of the line.

"Mr. Shaughnessy did not concur in  
these crown grants not being delivered,"  
asked Mr. Davies. "He didn't say such  
about it," replied Mr. Wells.

"Did he not show righteous indignation  
over it?" asked Mr. Davies. "No; Mr.  
Shaughnessy is not a man of that kind,"  
replied Mr. Wells.

Mr. Davies asked whether Mr. Creel-  
man was not present with Sir Thomas  
Shaughnessy. "Was Mr. Creelman not  
present at the time and in connection  
with Sir Thomas protesting against the  
crown grants not being delivered?" asked  
Mr. Davies.

Mr. Wells explained that Mr. Creel-  
man was present only when the question  
of the Crown's Nest Coal Company's re-  
lations with the railroad company was  
being discussed.

He did not at that time ask permission  
of Sir Thomas Shaughnessy that the  
crown grants should be taken back. It  
would be too silly a thing.

Mr. Davies warned the witness that  
Mr. Creelman was coming out with Sir  
Thomas, and he was informed was pre-  
pared to give evidence to this effect.

"I remembered I told Sir Thomas  
Shaughnessy that there was nothing for  
me to do but take these crown grants  
back," replied Mr. Wells. The Chief  
Commissioner also expressed his pleasure  
that Mr. Creelman was coming.

"Did you give a reason that there  
were going to be some vacancies within  
the cabinet, and it might embarrass them  
to deliver these?" asked Mr. Davies.  
"No, I remember I said that there was  
not much likelihood of a settlement be-  
ing arrived at during the time that the  
two elections were in progress," replied  
Mr. Wells.

Mr. Davies called attention to the  
former evidence of Mr. Wells that Sir  
Thomas Shaughnessy had said that if  
the delivery of the crown grants with  
trouble to get him or his government into  
trouble he did not want them.

Mr. Wells could not recall the circum-  
stances under which these were spoken,  
but Sir Thomas used them.

Mr. Davies thought they fitted in well  
with the other statement he had given.  
Mr. Wells admitted he knew Mr.  
Oswald as secretary of the B. C.  
Southern.

"If you say that you never deliv-  
ered these two crown grants with trou-  
ble to get him or his government into  
trouble back the next morning?" asked  
Mr. Davies. "No, never," said Mr. Wells.  
"Is he coming out also?"

"Well for your information I may say  
he is," said Mr. Davies.

"Is it not true these were delivered on  
the 20th November and lay in the vaults  
of the company that night?" asked Mr.  
Davies. "These two crown grants?"  
queried Mr. Wells. "That is not so.  
That is a put up job. They were never  
out of my trunk."

He did not know what Mr. Taylor's  
connection was with the C. P. R. He  
would not say that it was necessary that  
he should.

## CURIOUS THINGS

Come From Coffee Drinking.

A lady in New York City suffered an  
accident to her leg and a running sore  
followed that medical science tried to  
cure for many years but unknown to her,  
the coffee she drank daily kept the blood  
in a condition that would not let the sore  
heal.

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lady, "I was advised to drink Postum  
and give up coffee of which I was very  
fond. To say that I am thankful now  
for having done this is putting it very  
mildly for as soon as I made the shift  
from coffee to Postum my leg began to  
heal and in a few weeks was quite well."

"It has never troubled me since and I  
think it marvelous. Neither have I suf-  
fered from the bilious headaches which  
used to afflict me. I can give you the  
names of many of my friends who are  
as firm friends of Postum as I." Name  
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red blood in a hurry. This lady thought  
it marvelous because her trouble of years  
standing was cured in a few weeks  
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in its place. Nothing marvelous  
about it, only the simplest scientific  
reasons that it will pay anyone to look  
into.

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any disease. Coffee in many people  
destroys the red corpuscles and produces  
white or watery blood. A definite change  
is made by leaving off coffee entirely and  
using Postum. You can prove this by  
trial.

Mr. Taylor was in league with the C.  
P. R.

"If your story is correct there must  
have been a connection between Mr. Tay-  
lor and the C. P. R. If Mr. Taylor's  
story is correct then you must have been  
trying to hold up the C. P. R." was the  
statement of the situation by Mr. Davies.

Mr. Helmecken suggested that as these  
officials were coming the committee  
should take advantage of the circum-  
stances and have documents produced.  
Accordingly it was decided to telegraph  
to these gentlemen to bring all the neces-  
sary documents.

Mr. Wells, continuing, said: "I saw  
Mr. Creelman after he delivered the 23  
crown grants to Oswald, and Mr. Creel-  
man expressed regret that they had not  
got these blocks in question. This was  
immediately after the interview with  
Sir Thomas."

Mr. Creelman, just as the train was  
moving off, called his attention to the  
fact that the grants having been duly  
signed and the great seal affixed, that  
he believed that they were to be regard-  
ed as delivered.

Mr. Wells said that he told him it was  
a question of law, and if he (Mr. Creel-  
man) was correct that he supposed they  
would have to be given over.

Sir Thomas Shaughnessy last fall con-  
ferred with him about the land company  
being formed in his own office in Mon-  
treal. He thought it was in the after-  
noon. Something came up about this  
land company. He did not know how  
it came up. He might have been inquisi-  
tive to find it out.

Mr. Davies pressed for an answer as to  
how the cause came up. "You put no inter-  
est in the company, did you?" asked Mr.  
Davies. "No," returned Mr. Wells. Sir  
Thomas Shaughnessy spoke apologetically  
about it. He said that all they had  
to do with it was to turn the land over  
and retain certain shares.

He could not say how long he waited  
before applying his colleagues of the  
circumstances after his return. It was  
not more than 30 days. The letter of  
Sir Thomas Shaughnessy of November  
22nd he believed was written with the  
great object of using it before the execu-  
tive in getting these crown grants. He  
wrote that letter at his (Wells') request.

He had discussed the matter very much  
along the same lines in conversation, and  
he (Mr. Wells) suggested that a letter  
should be written setting it out. Mr.  
Wells suggested that in any further  
negotiations over these crown grants that  
Mr. Shaughnessy should act for the provi-  
nce.

Mr. Davies wanted to know how the  
province would require Mr. Greenhalghs,  
or anyone else, in connection with the  
building to Spence's Bridge?

Mr. Wells said he well remembered  
that Sir Thomas Shaughnessy looked  
upon this reference to Mr. Greenhalghs  
with a great deal of disfavor.

The cancellation of the crown grants  
was due to another more immediate rea-  
son than that which had taken place in  
connection with Mr. Taylor at Montreal.  
That was an executive act. He could  
not recall what took place in Montreal.

He considered the variation from the  
terms of the subsidy act as a grave ob-  
stacle in connection with the matter.  
The Columbia & Western had never for-  
mally accepted this proposal.

The order-in-council issued on 4th Oc-  
tober was issued in pursuance of the  
decision of the executive. The accep-  
tance of the fees for crown grants after  
that date would not be regarded as neces-  
sarily accompanying delivery of grants.

He did not go to Hamilton to see Mr.  
Brown.

In reply to Mr. McCaul, Mr. Wells  
said that a recommendation coming from  
his department did not necessarily in-  
volve his agreement with it.

The building of the line to Spence's  
Bridge was to be a condition of the deliv-  
ery of the crown grants, not vice versa.

He could not imagine Sir Thomas let-  
ting such an important document as these  
crown grants out of his hands, as  
took place according to the contention of  
the C. P. R.

Mr. Helmecken questioned Mr. Wells  
as to the signing of the recommendation  
which was signed on 10th November.

Mr. Wells understood that it had been  
agreed to at the meeting on the 2nd of  
January, at which he was not present.  
He believed he may have got his in-  
structions from Mr. Turner. He must  
have felt satisfied that this recommenda-  
tion was along the lines of the proposed  
settlement.

His impression in Montreal was that  
Mr. Brown and Mr. Taylor were work-  
ing together. He got that idea because  
each of them had repeatedly appeared  
before him in connection with the B. C.  
Southern matters.

"Shaughnessy, Brown and Taylor all  
took an interest in you in Montreal?"  
asked Mr. Helmecken. "Yes," replied  
Mr. Wells.

"But they didn't get the crown  
grants?" continued Mr. Helmecken. "No."

He had heard some time that some  
trouble in connection with the Crown's  
Nest Coal Company was to be obviated  
by the transfer of the land from the B. C.  
Southern subsidiary to the Columbia &  
Western.

He had seen the agreement  
when he saw Sir Thomas Shaughnessy,  
and it was to the effect that 10,000 acres  
of coal lands should go to the coal com-  
pany if the lands were found to contain  
coal.

Under bill 87 of last year the com-  
pany could not have claimed 4,503 be-  
cause it was under reserve. They could  
have claimed 4,504, because there was no  
reserve. He had up to some time after  
the rescinding order-in-council thought  
that 4,504 was under reserve. He had  
a discussion with Mr. Gore on this mat-  
ter. Up to the time of going to Mon-  
treal he had not known it was not under  
reserve.

Asked as to who had obtained tracts  
in 4,504, Mr. Wells said he did not know  
that the B. C. Southern had obtained  
any parts of it. He knew only one man,  
Mr. Harvey, who had taken up tracts.  
He did not know that he represented any  
railway company.

Mr. Helmecken asked Mr. Wells why  
he did not tell Mr. Dunsmuir of Mr.  
Taylor's proposals when Mr. Dunsmuir  
first asked him why the grants were not  
delivered. Why did he keep it from his  
Premier? Why he put the key of secrecy  
on Mr. Prentice when he told him.

Mr. Wells contended that he took an  
early opportunity to acquaint Mr. Dun-  
smuir with the facts.

He remembered Mr. Eberts speaking  
to him about the urgency of delivering  
the crown grants after his return from  
Montreal. The Attorney-General must

have known of the non-delivery. Mr.  
Eberts' advice was to deliver the crown  
grants. He did not tell this to Mr.  
Dunsmuir. Mr. Dunsmuir said that Mr.  
Eberts would justify him in delivering  
the crown grants. Mr. Dunsmuir came  
to him in the House and asked why they  
were not delivered? He was not going  
to tell the right in the House.

Respecting bill 87, he did not draft  
it. He did not know that it was dis-  
cussed at a meeting of the executive be-  
fore it was introduced.

G. McL. Brown was recalled in order  
to answer a few questions before he left  
for Vancouver. He said he was quite  
certain he had said no fees for the pre-  
paration of bills 87 of 1902 and 113 of  
1901.

The committee adjourned until this  
morning.

## PLANS RATIFIED.

The Building of the V. V. & E. Through  
Phoenix.

Phoenix, B. C., May 12.—Matters in  
regard to the crossing of streets within  
the corporate limits of this city by the  
V. V. & E. branch of the Great North-  
west railway are rapidly assuming a  
shape that is satisfactory to both the  
city authorities and the railway com-  
pany officials. Last week the railway's  
solicitor, A. H. McNeill, of Rossland,  
Chief Engineer Kenney and C. A.  
Desbriay, the right-of-way agent, met  
the city council, and submitted the  
plans. These were considered, and not  
being entirely satisfactory to the city  
fathers, were changed to suit the best  
interests of the property holders, as  
nearly as they could be determined. This  
week the city council ratified the new  
plans, and they are now being put in  
proper shape for signature.

Apparently the railway company is  
now in a hurry to get this matter closed  
up and work started on the actual  
construction of the branch into this camp.  
The passenger and freight depots will  
be located almost in the centre of the  
town, with the new large ore bunkers  
for the Granby mines not far off. The  
Granby Company will construct two  
gravity tramways to connect with ore  
bins, one running from the Knob Hill  
ore quarries, and the other from the  
mouth of the New No. 4 tunnel, the latter  
to connect with the deep workings of  
the mines at the 300 level of the Old  
Ironside mine, and having a length of  
something like 1,000 feet.

Generally considered, the proposals of  
the railway company will give it a  
good access to the mine tonnage here,  
and an easy grade for the 25 miles of  
line to be constructed to connect the  
mines with the Granby smelter at  
Grand Forks. At the same time, while  
coming into the heart of the city, it is  
done in such a manner as to interfere  
but little with the property where busi-  
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## WHAT WILL THE END BE?

We have more than once indulged in speculation as to how much better off materially the masses of the people on this continent and in other parts of the world will be when the work of organization now proceeding so actively is completed, and the level of remuneration for work performed is raised all along the line. That is still a matter of speculation. But there is no uncertainty about the fact that the country is suffering from the results of the conflict now in progress between capital and labor. The testimony of witnesses who have appeared before the commission appointed for the purpose of inquiring into the matter settles the point effectually. The disquieting feature of the present situation is the knowledge gained from experience here and elsewhere that business driven out of wonted channels is extremely slow in returning thereto. Take the case of the coal mines affected. The market in San Francisco is now supplied with coal from Washington. A considerable number of the coal consumers of the state of California, when they find that the cheaper and inferior product of the Washington mines may be made to meet their requirements and that the supply is more certain, may hesitate a considerable time before reverting to Vancouver Island coal. The loss of the hundreds of thousands of dollars a month ordinarily put in circulation on this island is not the only deplorable feature of the situation. Then the C. P. R. will obtain its supply of coal from Japan. The Orientals are not so highly organized physically or industrially as we are on this side of the Pacific. The demands of their civilization are not so hard to meet as are the requirements of our complex organization. The possibilities of their competition with British Columbia in the coal trade have not been seriously considered hitherto. Such possibilities must now be taken into consideration. If the conditions lean in the slightest degree in favor of the Japanese market, the Canadian Pacific Railway & Steamship Company will patronize it. Business is business. The officers of the company are morally bound to earn as high dividends as possible for their shareholders. In matters of business not only can we not separate ourselves from the continent to which we belong, but we cannot divorce ourselves from the world in which we live, and which from the point of view of the commercial man is becoming smaller every year. What is true of the coal industry is equally true of all industries. The cost of production in British Columbia must bear its proper relation to the cost of production in other portions of the continent and of the world. If we force it temporarily higher than the common economic level we simply stimulate the importation of the products of other countries. We cannot permanently evade the inexorable law of supply and demand.

In Australia it was thought the control of certain natural monopolies by the state and the existence upon the statute book of a compulsory arbitration act had solved the great problem which confronts all democratic countries to-day, and had virtually established a regime of permanent industrial peace. But man is an agitating as well as a laughing animal. The engineers on the state railways of Victoria are on strike, and other employees of the roads are threatening to "go out" in sympathy with them. Humanity is ever craving for the unattainable. Here is a small army of civil servants who have attained to the Elysium of the free and independent democrat: Permanent employment with good wages and short hours while physically capable and a pension when the burden of the years has rendered him incapable. And yet there is something to be desired. Could there be better proof of the insatiable cravings of the human heart? No doubt it will be held that agitators are responsible for this thing. Wherever workers are gathered together agitators will be found in the midst of them. Fortunately for the state, there is a Premier in Victoria who is pledged to accomplish certain reforms

and has been sustained by an overwhelming majority of the electorate in his determination to carry out such reforms as will raise the state from the slough into which it has been dragged by the demagogues who had not the courage to resist the demands made upon them by a highly organized minority. Some of the Australian states have realized that there is no "royal road" to prosperity—that conditions which are the result of industry and application cannot be produced by act of parliament.

"The glorious privilege of being independent" is not as highly valued as it once was. Will there be a reaction?

## PRESS CENSORS.

The shortcomings of the actual state of commission, of the press have been engaging the attention of Eastern clerics of late. Some of the newspapers have replied to the criticisms of their ministerial brethren with a candor and brusqueness which may be accepted as characteristic of the age. It is simply the old story over again. The men who in the mysterious workings of providence, have managed to secure control of public journals are the very individuals who have the minimum of qualification for the work. If the pulpit could establish its right to a censorship over the utterances of the press the world would be a very different place. Political and social scandals would be unknown, because the people would be educated up to a plane from which they could view all manner of wickedness in the proper light. And yet in times when ecclesiasticism was in the ascendant the world was not such a delightful place to live in and many individuals found it anything but an agreeable place to die in. But in candor it must be confessed that the ecclesiasticism of bygone times was an entirely different cult from the form in vogue to-day.

An Eastern contemporary playfully suggests that the notorious wickedness of the press may be traced to the habit that prevails of excluding newspaper men from the devotions of the House of Commons. At the same time a protest has been entered by clergymen because of the lack of interest evinced by members in the opening devotional exercises. One of the ministers of the gospel asserts that at a recent opening service the House contained but thirteen men, just or unjust. While he was uttering his petitions before that small but select company of believers an army of reporters and other common people was locked outside. The seed was being sown upon the stony ground in the hearts of the unlucky number of practical politicians, while possibly more congenial soil in the corridors was excluded from the opportunity of receiving it. And now the reporters are protesting because of their exclusion. Evidently they do not believe that they have reached the stage from which their case may be regarded as hopeless. They object to being placed in the same class as Ephraim, who was so irreverently joined to his idols that the prophets were ordered to let him alone. Or perhaps the powers that control the doors of the House believe reporters do no need the petitions of men who are "mighty wrestlers in prayer."

There is just one feature in connection with newspaper work that encourages editors and reporters to keep their hands to the plow or to the pen. They are compelled to listen to complaints from extremists of all classes. Only the other day the editor of this paper was told the editor of the San Francisco printed more Victoria news in one day than the local papers did in a week. This confirms us in our opinion that much depends upon the point of view. It is impossible to please extremists. The one class would mirror the world in the press as he believes it ought to be, not as it actually is; the other would gather scandal and social garb and disseminate it indiscriminately amongst young and old. Let any impartial critic compare the newspapers of Canada with publications from any portion of the world and he will surely admit that in point of enterprise, considering the extent of their constituencies, and in moral tone they are not inferior to any, but are vastly superior to many.

During the recent musical festival some of the performers were subjected to considerable criticism. In all lines of human endeavor there are always plenty of critics. It is so much easier to find fault with the work of others than to perform according to the standards of the critics. A lecturer at a recent conference of musicians in Dublin took up the baton on behalf of the members of his profession. As illustrating the physical strain to which interpreters of the works of the "great masters" are subjected he pointed out that a pianist in view of the present state of pianoforte playing has to cultivate the art to see about 1,500 signs in one minute, the fingers to make about 2,000 movements and the brain to receive and understand separately the 1,500 signs while it issues 2,000 orders. In playing Weber's "moto perpetuo" a pianist has to read 4,541 notes in a little under four minutes. This is about 19 in a second; but the eye can receive only about ten consecutive impressions in a second, so it is evident that in very rapid music a player does not see notes singly, but in groups, probably a bar or more at one vision. In Chopin's "etude in E minor" (in the second set) the speed of reading is still greater, since it is necessary to read 3,950 signs in two minutes and a half,

which is equivalent to about twenty-six notes a second.

The Colonel has elevated Mr. John Charlton to the leadership of the Liberal party. It is our turn to make a suggestion. The selection of Mr. Borden as Conservative leader has not been received with profound satisfaction by all sections of the party. Sir Hilbert Tupper has sulked in his tent ever since the claims of his family were ignored. We hereby nominate Mr. Tarte as a fit and proper person to lead the Tories.

Germany has another grievance against Great Britain. Helgoland, the island acquired by the Fatherland for offensive and defensive purposes, threatens to dive to the bottom of the North Sea every time one of William's heavy pieces of artillery is discharged.

## WANTS TO KNOW.

To the Editor:—Can you inform me why the Tourist Association continue to have on their interstade the following:—"President, Charles Hayward, Mayor of the city of Victoria." Is it not very unsafe to Mayor McDonalds that Mr. Hayward should be advertised as mayor? MOSES.

## THE PROVINCIAL DEFENDER.

To the Editor:—In this morning's edition of the Colonist, under the heading "Justice Not Generosity," Col. Prior is represented as being the man who has saved this province from the intrigues of the spoliation.

It appears to me to be a case of Jekyll and Hyde. I can scarcely believe that this is the same Col. Prior, who was a member of the Dominion government on the 8th day of April, 1902, when in answer to questions asked by Mr. Curtis in regard to whether any crown grants had been prepared for Columbia & Western lands and not yet issued, the Chief Commissioner replied: "There are no additional crown grants prepared," and again on the 2nd day of May, 1902, in response to the question, "Why have not crown grants for the 500,000 acres said to be owned by the Columbia & Western Railway Company for section 3 not been issued?" The answer given was that because up to the present time no agreement has been arrived at with the company determining what lands shall be allotted.

In this the same Col. Prior who was a member of the government on the 22nd day of May, 1902, when Bill 87 was submitted to the legislature for the purpose of giving the identical lands of which it was sought to despoil the province, and again on the 6th day of June, 1902, when the government again sought to push forward this same Bill 87 in the House?

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Short addresses on interesting subjects will also be made by other well known speakers, and in the intervals vocal and instrumental music will be rendered.

Prospectors, miners and others directly or indirectly interested in mining and all those who desire to assist in promoting the progress of the mining industry on Vancouver Island, and the province generally, are cordially invited.

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### City News in Brief.

—One offender against the bicycle law was fined \$3 yesterday afternoon.

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—Two drunks were fined \$5 with costs, or in default ten days' imprisonment, in the police court this morning.

—Fast steamer for Skagway. Dolphina sails May 18th, 19th and 20th; Humboldt, sails May 13th and 23rd. E. E. Blackwood, agent.

—Cheap excursion rates to Seattle, May 22nd and 23rd, account President Roosevelt's visit. Tickets good in both directions on steamers Majestic and Rosalie.

—Tenders are being called for the purchase of the stock in trade, good will and book debts of Erskine, Wall & Co., grocers, by J. H. Lawson and C. F. Todd, the assignees.

—On May 12th and 17th the Northern Pacific Railway Company will sell tickets to Los Angeles, Cal., at reduced rates. For full particulars call at their office, corner Government and Yates streets.

—There is still unclaimed at the drill hall, after the musical festival, three ladies' umbrellas, one lady's black cape, one lady's balloon skirt, and one roll of fabric. Owners are requested to call for the same between 8 a. m. and 12 noon and 1 p. m. to 5 p. m.

—President John Keen, of the Provincial Mining Association, has received the following telegram from R. D. Fetherstonhaugh, of Atlin: "Atlin mine operators association unanimously endorse recommendations of your association, especially referring to crown grants placer ground."

—The regular fortnightly meeting of the "Y's" takes place to-night at the home of Mrs. Hamill, 54 Pandora avenue. The members are requested to make an effort to be present, as it will be an interesting meeting. Two papers prepared by members will be read, and business of importance will be dealt with.

—Extensive preparations are being made to make the closing ball of Mrs. Simpson and Mrs. Dickinson's children's class a total success on Friday night. The A. O. U. W. hall is being prettily decorated, the menu for a midnight repast is being prepared, and special music will be provided, so that everything possible is being looked after to make the event a pleasing one. After the children's dances have been completed the floor will be given over for the enjoyment of the adults.

—At the last regular meeting of the Women's Council several matters of importance were considered. Arrangements for the raising of funds necessary for the equipment of the Centre, where domestic science will be taught in the public schools, were discussed at length. A member of the Chamber of Commerce addressed the meeting, and emphasized the importance of the ladies patronizing home industries, and requested that the members give their hearty support in this matter. After a lengthy discussion it was decided that the council should support the Chamber of Commerce in the advancement of home industries, and will take steps to bring the subject before the affiliated societies.



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—Ald. G. H. Barnard has donated his monthly aldermanic allowance, \$30.90, to the Victoria Tourist Association.

Saturday will be the last day for Corona Photos at the reduced price, \$4.00, at the Skene Lowe Studio. Do not miss it.

The quarterly meeting of the board of trade will be held on Friday evening, Mr. J. Keen, of the Mining Association, will address the meeting on the silver-lead question.

—It was a profitable evening spent by those who attended the lecture at the Metropolitan church last Monday evening. Mr. Ritchie, the lecturer, has evidently a good knowledge of his subject, and makes his lecture both instructive and entertaining.

—A meeting of the delegates of the intermediate baseball teams intending to enter the league this season, together with the officers of the league, will be held on Friday evening at the office of Chief Watson. All teams wishing to participate must make application in writing to the secretary, Frank McIlroy, before Friday or at the meeting. It is requested that each team suggest an umpire so that the league will be able to make satisfactory selections from among those recommended.

—The finance committee of the Victoria Day celebration held a meeting yesterday afternoon, Mayor McCandless occupying the chair. E. C. Smith wrote accepting the office of honorary secretary. The regular contribution of \$100 was asked for by Capt. A. W. Currie, of the Fifth Regiment, for rifle matches. The communication was laid on the table pending a report as to funds. The various collecting committees reported that there would be \$2,500, including the amount when he initiated the campaign. Fleming Bros. drew attention to the suitability of their kodaks and cameras for prizes. This was referred to the prize committee. The committee then adjourned until 5 p. m. on Tuesday.

—The comedy sketch at the Edison theatre, the home of high class vaudeville and life-size moving pictures, caused a great deal of laughter. The three Millards no doubt evoke more applause than any other attraction yet presented. The five-year-old child sings several sweet songs. Prof. Fox, the bird and animal imitator, causes a great deal of amusement when he imitates the crowing of a rooster fifteen miles away. Harry R. Harrison singing the illustrated song, "Down on the Farm," is increasing his popularity. The moving pictures are both amusing and entertaining. Little Tick, the London comedian, is the most popular film produced. The management announces that passes given the school children each day are good for any matinee except Saturday.

—The increasing interest shown by the large attendance at the regular meeting of Victoria Hive, No. 1. Ladies of the Mitchees, held last night in the A. O. U. W. hall, was most gratifying to the officers. Following the regular routine business a report was read from the representative of the Hive in the Women's Council to the effect that the council wished to assist the Chamber of Commerce in its desire to promote home industries, and in a forceful way impressed upon the Ladies of the Victoria Hive to do their utmost to strengthen the membership by 50,000 during the coming year.

—For several years past Denman Thompson and Geo. W. Ryan have had the idea of a play in mind, one which should be a worthy successor to their "Old Homestead." They believe that they have found in "Our New Minister," their latest success, and which will be given here for the first time on Friday, May 15th, the very subject of which they were in search, inasmuch as it offers a novelty to the stage, while "holding the mirror up to nature" in much the same manner as their first production, the "Homestead." "Our New Minister" is eminently realistic both as to scenery and characters, the principal cast being of a high class, distinctly original, altogether unlike anything that has been put on the stage before. The original cast will appear, which includes John Terriss, John Barker, Charles Steadman, Joseph Conyers, Louis Purce, John P. Brown, Grant Foreman, Ethel Brooke Ferguson, Phila May and Mrs. Geo. W. Barnard.

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—The total clearings of the Victoria clearing house for the week ending May 12th, 1903, was \$425,313.

—The parlor meeting of the central branch of the W. C. T. U. to-morrow afternoon has been withdrawn.

—The funeral of the late Joseph Loewen is taking place this afternoon from the family residence, George road, and St. Saviour's church.

—T. M. Flourney, advertising manager of John D. Morris & Co., of Chicago, is in the city introducing their latest series of works embodying examples of modern eloquence.

—Last evening an interesting experiment took place at Work Point, barracks. After dark the forts were manned and a launch sent out to try and enter Esquimaux harbor without being detected by the powerful searchlights of the battery. The boat managed to get in a considerable distance before fired upon. It is claimed, however, that a course was taken that would be impracticable for a boat of greater draught.

—The report in this morning's Colonist that Chinese were paid 10 cents per ton to unload coal from the scow to the wharf at Williams Head quarantine station, and that they struck because they were asked to convey it a greater distance and uphill for the same price, is absolutely untrue. The Chinese contracted to unload to the wharf for 20 cents per ton, and when it was decided to convey some of the coal to the electric lighting plant about a hundred yards distant they were offered forty cents per ton. The Colonist was only 30 cents out.

—This morning the police were notified that a purse containing \$250 had been lost somewhere either on Broad or Pioneer streets about 6 o'clock last evening. The gentleman, who wishes his name not mentioned, said he left the purse in his overcoat pocket, carrying the coat upon his arm, and consequently the purse must have fallen out. He also stated that there were a number of receipts and documents, besides a number of stamp photos of the owner, with the money. He offers a reward of \$100 to anyone finding and returning the same.

—A very profitable time is assured those who attend the meeting to be held under the auspices of the Victoria branch of the B. C. Mining Association at the city hall to-night. The instructive portion of the programme will be provided by W. M. Brewer, M.E., who will give an address on the mineral resources of Vancouver Island, John Keen's remarks on the "Mission of the Mining Association," J. W. Borden's talk on "Mining and Its Relation to Labor," and a speech by W. F. Robinson, of Philadelphia. Besides these an enjoyable programme will be rendered consisting of recitations, instrumental and vocal numbers. Among those who will take part are W. T. Williams, H. Ives, J. Douglas, W. K. Houston, Fred Richardson, Mr. Thomas, F. Sehl and F. Le Roy. It is to be hoped that the citizens will turn out in force.

—The assault case against Piccinello Enico, was concluded in the police court yesterday afternoon, and the accused was fined \$150, in default to serve a three months' term of imprisonment with hard labor. The case was taken up with the cross-examination of the accused, and sentence was not passed until nearly 6 o'clock. Enico was sentenced for assaulting Charles Bellini on Sunday, May 3rd, at the complainant's home. Bellini was struck with such force that he expired as a result, it is believed, permanent blindness to that organ. The full evidence of the case has already been published in the Times, and by this evidence it was proven that the fight was caused through an argument over unions and the Italian flag. The fact of the position is that the man has been drinking heavily, and had aroused the native temper in one another.

—Yesterday Constable Ego, of Mayne Island, brought Fred. Raynes, of Salt Spring Island, to the provincial gaol, where he will serve a three months' term of imprisonment with hard labor as a punishment for housebreaking and attempting to steal, also for destroying property. It appears that on Monday morning, May 4th, between the hours of 2 and 3 o'clock, the prisoner along with his younger brother, entered, by way of a window, the house of R. P. Edwards, of Salt Spring Island, and attempted to steal. The two burglars were frightened away by Mr. Edwards, who heard the clumsy entrance of the Raynes. Fred. Raynes returned to the building and broke several windows of the store, which is connected with the dwelling. The two offenders were tried before Justices of the Peace William Scott, of Salt Spring Island, and T. W. Collinson, of Mayne Island. Three months' imprisonment with one month for destroying property, to run concurrently with the former penalty, was imposed on Fred. Raynes, while the younger brother was discharged.

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MR. SMITH TELLS SOME  
INTERESTING FACTSFew of the Wild Theories at First Advanced—Extent of the Slide—  
Danger is Now Over.

Frank Smith, inspector of mines for the Territorial government, who has taken several observations on Turtle mountain since the terrible slide, was at the city during the past few days. He was conducting an examination at Frank for pit and fire hose certificates just previously and left there for Fort MeLeod on the night before the disaster. On Wednesday morning immediately upon learning what had happened he hastened back on a special train.

A Times representative looked up Mr. Smith yesterday and obtained from him some interesting facts in connection with the affair. He assigns as a likely cause the melting of snow and ice in a fissure, the subsequent freezing expanding the side of the mountain already weakened to some extent by the mining operations. When the slide started it spread out like a fan as it went along in a northeasterly direction, until it assumed a width of eight thousand feet. It covered nine hundred acres with a depth ranging from five to a hundred feet. Mr. Smith estimates that between fifty and sixty million tons of rock fell from the mountain.

Its course, as already stated, was along the east of the town, and had it not extended in dimensions as it went, or in other words had its width remained at four thousand feet or thereabouts, not a house would have been touched. It destroyed the cottages already shown by pictures in the Times, spread across the river, the railway line and up to the mountain on the other side of the town. The houses which were formerly reared themselves about the thousand two hundred feet above the valley are now scattered in millions of tons over the area beneath. Now the mountain is only about 2,500 feet in height.

Mr. Smith says that there are a few millions of tons which will yet come down, but he does not apprehend any danger to the town from this source. It will gradually work off in a northeasterly direction, and he does not think it will touch any part of the town or the railway. The upper end of the place at which the slide occurred is believed to be former inhabitants will return, if they have not done so already. Property, he points out, is as good as over, the mining company will resume operations at once and the town will continue to be a mining and shipping point for the island. The Vancouver Coal & Coke Company will sink a coal half mile from the old opening and will follow the seam under the town and come in the old workings at Turtle mountain.

"It was said that the accounts of the disaster which were sent out were exaggerated," Mr. Smith remarked. "Well, it was impossible to exaggerate such a scene. Of course errors were made in the number of people killed and various things were supposed to have occurred, but the wildest theories were excusable in view of the awful condition of the place. On Wednesday morning, some of the views advanced as to the extent of the catastrophe were ludicrous in the extreme. The volcanic eruption theory was most tenaciously adhered to. Others said a meteorite had struck the mountain and precipitated the top of it into the valley. The wildest idea of the lot, however, was that the mountain possessed all the elements of acetylene gas, which in some manner had exploded and blown off the top."

As an indication of the wholly sudden nature of the slide, Mr. Smith says that the town over the mountain, before the one would never have dreamed of the possibility of such a thing occurring. It came so unexpectedly that the wild theories which arose were not to be wondered at. Since the disaster Mr. Smith has been up on the mountain several times with three men. He made another ascent with Premier Haultain on the next Monday, and on Tuesday he made a third trip with two engineers and four men. These observations were to be continued all week, and Monday Premier Haultain was to decide if the town was safe for the future.

Mr. and Mrs. Smith left last night for Calgary, which has been the former's headquarters as inspector of mines. He has been appointed superintendent for the Canadian-American Coal & Coke Company, who are operating so extensively at Frank, and it is understood will enter upon his duties at once. During their stay in the city they have been visiting Mrs. Smith's mother, Mrs. Chas. Watson, of upper Johnson street.

—The twelfth annual meeting of the local branch of the Women's Missionary Society opened in the Metropolitan Methodist church this morning with Mrs. Betts in the chair. Reports from auxiliaries showing good work accomplished during the past year were read. A nomination committee was appointed. There was a large attendance this morning, and other business of an important character will be transacted at this afternoon's session, which commenced at 2 o'clock. This evening a meeting will be held in the church, opening at 8 o'clock, when a number of solos, recitations and addresses will be provided. Among those who will speak will be Rev. Dr. Macdonald, general superintendent of missions.

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Mr. Outburt also requests that Victorians call and obtain some of the association's booklets to be sent away with private correspondence. In this way they will be greatly assisting in the work of advertising the charms of this city.

It is announced at Winnipeg that the Canadian Northern will grade 100 miles extra of their Western line this year in order to provide work for members of the Barr colony, who have arrived too late for farming operations. Steel will not be laid on this hundred miles this year, the main object being to provide work for the Barr unemployed.

FOR SUMMER VISITORS.  
Proposal to Provide Tents for Campers—  
Meeting Tourist Association.

The monthly meeting of the Tourist Association was held yesterday, important business being considered. A gratifying announcement was made by George Oliver, of Sooke, to the effect that it is his intention to run a daily stage from Sooke's Crossing, at Goldstream, to Sooke during the summer months. Those leaving on the 9 o'clock train in the morning would thus arrive at Sooke at noon, and returning leave Sooke at 5 o'clock and reach town about 8 o'clock. The fare for the round trip will be \$1.

Numerous other plans were discussed. A proposition was made by H. Outburt to establish tents on beaches near the city. Large numbers of families coming here, particularly from the south, would appreciate being able to get under canvas for a week or fortnight with little or no inconvenience. It would, Mr. Outburt pointed out, prolong the stay of visitors and be of great benefit to the residents of the city. Similar provision was made for those who wished to "tent out" during the summer in most of the resorts of California, and he thought it could be made a success.

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If the regular weekly meetings of the Chamber of Commerce attracted as large a proportion of members as last night's "free and easy" smoker at the Victoria hotel they would work wonders towards the accomplishment of the objects to which this organization has committed itself. It was certainly a very successful entertainment that was provided, and one which clearly evidenced the numerical and commercial strength of the chamber. The object of the gathering, it is understood, was to signalize the incorporation of the body, the dissolving of their "responsibility" and their entry into the sphere reserved by the grace of parliament for bodies, corporations.

Proprietor Leeson, of the Victoria hotel, had cleared the spacious dining room, and made very satisfactory arrangements for the accommodation and entertainment of the guests. They began to assemble at 8.30 o'clock, and from that hour until a time dangerously approaching midnight surrendered themselves to unalloyed enjoyment. Devotees of the weed were regaled with diverse varieties of cigars, while other refreshments were liberally dispensed during the evening. An orchestra from Mr. Finn's organization was on hand, and filled in the gaps between the vocal and elocution numbers on the programme in fine style.

President George Carter acted as master of ceremonies if there be such a thing as ceremony in an affair so delightfully informal, and during the evening delivered a telling address replete with enthusiasm and encouragement. He explained the circumstances under which the Chamber of Commerce came into existence. It was a response to the acknowledged urgent demand for co-operation and cohesion on the part of the business men of the city in the interests of trade and the welfare of the place. He alluded to the advantages derived from such co-operation, in testimony of which he referred particularly to Seattle, a city which had grown phenomenally chiefly through the united effort and enterprise of its businessmen.

He then drew attention to the great outlook for Oriental trade which formerly went to the Old World by way of Suez, and gradually filtered to America from that direction. Now, through the activity of large transportation companies this trade was being drawn across the Pacific—eastward instead of westward—and he predicted that it was for the cities of the Northwest of this continent to reach out for it. In this pursuit of an immense trade Victoria should be well to the fore, and the speaker urged that no effort be omitted which could be put forth to capture a goodly share of it. Mr. Carter closed with an expression of confidence in the ability of the Chamber of Commerce to make itself felt in the field of commerce.

Subsequently brief speeches were also made by the United States consul, Hon. A. E. Smith, Mayor McCandless and Herbert Cuthbert, all of whom complimented the chamber on the progress it had made, and wished it every success. The programme during the evening was productive of the heartiest enjoyment. All the numbers were entered, and those taking part generously responded. Those contributing were: Messrs. W. K. Houston, W. Allen, who gave recitations, and Messrs. W. B. Smith, W. T. Williams, F. Carue, Ives and Douglas, who provided the vocal part of the programme.

### THE VICTORIA STRIKE

Efforts of Government to Provide Temporary Service Is Meeting With Some Success.

Melbourne, Victoria, May 12.—The service of the railroads is improving daily, especially to the country. The position of the strikers appears to be weakening. The efforts of the government to organize a temporary service are meeting with considerable success, but the greatest difficulty is to find competent locomotive drivers. The railroad department has offered a bonus of \$250 to each driver accepting service. University students are offering to help, and retired members of the railroad staff are being pressed into service. The organization of business is allowing public sympathy for the strikers.

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### LACROSSE. MEDALS ON EXHIBITION.

The Central school lacrosse team will receive the medals which they won in last season's league in a few days. They have been purchased and are on exhibition at Cullen's cigar store.

### CRICKET. SATURDAY'S GAME.

A committee meeting of the Victoria Cricket Club was held last evening. Preparations for Saturday's matches with the Garrison and Fernwood teams were discussed. The members of the club have been practicing hard, and both games are expected to be full of interest and excitement.

### THE KENNEL. VICTORIA CONGRATULATED.

Referring to the recent kennel show held under the auspices of the Victoria club, the Western Dog Journal, published at Cedar Rapids, Iowa, says: "The Victoria City Kennel Club is to be congratulated on the success of its show. The membership is not only interested in doggy matters at show time, each year, but throughout the winter gives parties exhibitions, under local judges, one breed at a time. The past winter the club held three such exhibitions, one for cockers, one for terriers and one for setters, all being well patronized, and undoubtedly enhancing the interest of fanciers in bettering their stock and kennels. No small praise is due the executive, as nothing was spared in energy and courtesy to make the show a splendid success."

### ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL. WILL PLAY AGAIN.

Before the Capital City Intermediate football team left Nanaimo after playing Cumberland a draw match for the championship of the province, the captain of the team, who was in charge of the team, said: "The Cumberland draw was a disappointment, but we are confident of our ability to win the trophy. The Cumberland draw was a disappointment, but we are confident of our ability to win the trophy. The Cumberland draw was a disappointment, but we are confident of our ability to win the trophy."

### BASEBALL. SATURDAY'S GAME.

The Manned Lopes team, advertising cigars by that name, will be the opponents of the Victorians on Saturday next. The nine is composed of professional players, and they put up a fast game. They have played quite a few games this spring, notably one with Dugdale's Seattle league team, whom they defeated by a score of 11 to 3. Although this was one of the early spring practice games, it nevertheless surprised the league considerably.

### ATHLETICS. ANNUAL MEETING.

The annual general meeting of the Fernwood Athletic Association will be held this evening, when business of importance will be transacted. All members are requested to attend.

### MONTHLY MEETING.

Last evening a meeting of the management committee of the James Bay Athletic Association was held at the club room. The following new members were elected: J. V. N. Spencer, J. Anderson, E. W. Dunn and J. J. Lewis.

Lady members were admitted as follows: Misses E. S. Shropshire, Edith Shropshire, F. A. Brown, S. A. Robinson, M. A. Mason, M. Lettice, D. Schi, F. Lettice, I. Tuck, E. G. Turner, M. Fraser and M. Spain.

A communication was read from J. C. Knight, of the Washington University, which reads in part as follows: "I am very glad that I am now authorized to accept your invitation to enter our four-oared crew in your junior lap-stroke race on Victoria Day. I shall try to bring the crew up to Victoria on the 21st, so that we may have a couple of days' practice."

I am instructed by our faculty committee to express our thanks to your club for your courtesy in offering us the use of one of your boats for our race in Victoria and afterwards in Seattle. A proper guarantee will be arranged in time for the safety of your boat.

There is another proposition which I discussed with Mr. Leeming and Mr. O'Sullivan, and which I wish you would submit to your athletic board. Could not your club arrange a track meet with our track team for Saturday, June 6th? I understand that you are to arrange a meet for a later date after the university has closed. I suggest that an earlier meet will give you an opportunity to get your

men together and afford them some valuable practice.

We would not expect that all of your men be members of your host club. If they are bona fide amateurs and such men as you would be willing to run under the auspices of the J.B.A.A., we would not oppose their entry.

I think that such a meet could be made a success financially and socially.

Will you kindly let me know if the above plan is practicable?

Yours very truly,  
ALFRED WOOD.

By his Attorney-in-Fact, John Colgarrippe.

THE GAIL.  
VICTORIA DAY.

The regatta committee of the Victoria Day celebrations is making all the necessary preparations for that event as quickly as possible and everything is now ready with the exception of receiving and placing entries. All races will be started as usual by a gun, and the official judges are as follows: Captain, T. Cassment, R.N., and G. R. Koppet, C.B., D.S.O., R.A., Commander C. H. Unfrerville, R.N., and Major W. Gordon, R.A. The referee will be Commander W. S. Bowman, R.N., Capt. Gault, Capt. J. G. Cox and Capt. G. E. Clarke, while the clerks of the course will be Messrs. J. Barry and A. J. Dallan.

The following committee has been appointed for the purpose of inspecting boats pulling in any race, with the power of disqualifying any if necessary: Lieut. W. D. Church, G. Ducat, J. D. Stewart, R.N., and Capt. R. J. Macdonald, R.A., Lieut. Blundy, R.E., Capt. Warren, Ald. Stewart, Ald. Yates, officers J.B.A.A.

Protests must be lodged with the committee immediately at the conclusion of the race. If desired private ones may be used. Amateur races will be held under the auspices of the James Bay Athletic Association, and the Indian races will be in charge of Chief Michael Cooper. The following tribes will be represented: Canoe, Chemalms, color yellow; Saanich, color black; Lummi, color, Stars and Stripes; Snohomish, color, Stars and Stripes; Valdes, color, light blue; Kuper Island, red; Klem Klomalego, color, navy blue; Cowichan, color, white.

The crews which will participate in the service races follow: H.M.S. Grafton, white flag, red St. George cross; H.M.S. Amphion, white flag; H.M.S. Shearwater, white flag with blue "S"; Royal Artillery, blue flag with red zigzag stripes; Royal Engineers, red and blue flag with horizontal stripes.

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To the President of "Ye Olde London  
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thanks to you for the good wishes (which  
I have been fortunate enough to receive)  
for the spirit which prompted the kind thoughts  
expressed in your letter of the 10th inst. in  
the Daily Times. These would have been  
gratefully acknowledged ere now, had not  
the matter pertaining to the cycle of con-  
certs kept me busy since my arrival in  
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support. I quite agree that to-night's per-  
formance brings my musical activity in  
Canada (for some time, at least) to a close.  
But the delightful recollections connected  
with the tour will undoubtedly remain, as  
I shall look back upon my visit to Vic-  
toria as one of its most gratifying mo-  
ments. It has been made doubly so by  
that cordial touch of reciprocal good feel-  
ing between choir and conductor which  
transforms anxious work into complete  
pleasure. With my repeated thanks for  
your generous words of welcome, believe  
me, dear sir, very faithfully yours,

A. C. MACKENZIE,  
Victoria, B. C., May 9th, 1903.

My Dear Sir—Allow me to take this the  
first opportunity of writing to thank you  
very sincerely and the members of "Ye  
Olde London Wanderers" for the kind  
wishes and welcome so heartily extended  
to us. It has been a source of much  
pleasure to visit Victoria, made doubly so  
by such friendly feelings on the part of  
yourself as Mr. Langton and Mr. Wil-  
liams. With kind regards, believe me,  
yours very truly,

CHARLES A. E. HARRISON,  
H. L. Salmon, Esq.

Women jump at conclusions and men try  
to reach them by reasoning. Both land  
if they are good guessers.

## WILL NOT PLY ON THE SKAGWAY RUN

### RUMORS ABOUT NEW STEAMER INCORRECT

Arrival of Empress of India From the  
Orient With Large Number of  
Passengers.

During the last few weeks many re-  
ports have appeared in the Vancouver  
papers about the steamer Princess Vic-  
toria's prospective service. It has been  
repeatedly asserted that the vessel, just  
so soon as she has been completed, will  
be placed on the Vancouver and Skag-  
way route, and furthermore it has been  
intimated that the C. P. N. Company  
contemplated a new Vancouver and Se-  
attle service. With the object of secur-  
ing a correct version of the C. P. N.  
Company's intentions in this regard,  
Capt. Troup was approached this morn-  
ing. He again stated that the Princess  
Victoria was never intended for the  
Skagway run. She was designed particu-  
larly for the Victoria and Vancouver  
service, and that business she would car-  
ry on as soon as she was ready. There was  
only one trip spoken of apart from that,  
and that was an excursion to be run  
for the Native Sons, but where he did  
not know as yet. As for the Skag-  
way run, there was nothing to prevent  
his company sending the steamer north  
for a trip when there was a big rush of  
passengers coming southward, and when  
by making a quick run she would pick  
up a few hundred passengers, who in-  
cidentally would be brought to Vancou-  
ver and Victoria. No one, the captain  
thought, would object to this. The  
steamer, however, would not be kept in  
the north service. In any event the  
amount of business now done on that  
route would not warrant such a proceed-  
ing.

Asked regarding the Vancouver and  
Seattle service, Capt. Troup said he knew  
of no foundation for the reports pub-  
lished.

### INDIA'S ARRIVAL.

Crowded with passengers, both Euro-  
pean and Asiatic, the M. M. S. Empress  
of India arrived yesterday afternoon  
from the Orient after an uneventful pas-  
sage. She had about 350 Chinese aboard,  
and her saloon list of passengers was  
made up as follows: Mrs. A. B. Allan,  
H. Beinesen, Mrs. H. Beinesen, R. Be-  
field, Mrs. R. Befield, Hon. Arthur  
Boyer, C. Bertman, G. H. Bethune,  
Baron von Carlsberg, Mrs. P. B.  
Clarke, Mrs. C. P. Clark, E. L. Cockell,  
R. Home Cook, Mrs. R. Home Cook,  
Miss G. Cook, W. A. Crickshaw, H.  
Gordon Cumming, Mrs. H. Gordon Cum-  
ming, Miss Cumliffe, Miss K. O. Curtis,  
J. Denholm, Major W. A. C. Denny,  
Mrs. W. A. C. Denny, H. L. Denny,  
Mrs. H. L. Denny, Kestell Doherty, L.  
Watts Doney, Capt. G. Duff, R. A.  
James Eastwick, Mrs. James Eastwick,  
Miss M. H. Eastwick, Miss C. L. East-  
wick, Miss Edwards, N. G. Evans,  
Lieut. M. G. Festing, R. M. L. I. and  
valet, Dr. R. Fielding, Hon. Syd-  
ney Fisher, E. Fitzgerald, P. Fowler,  
Senator G. T. Fulford, Miss Fulford,  
Miss M. Fulford, Rev. A. R. Fuller,  
Miss Graham, Dr. J. C. Graham, Mrs.  
R. G. Greig, Miss Greig, G. A. Greig,  
H. Guineaud, Rev. G. H. Hamlen, Mrs.  
G. H. Hamlen and 3 children, Mrs.  
Harvey, Miss Hatchell, W. H. Hay,  
Miss Hickling, Capt. Holman, Mr.  
Hodgins and child, C. H. Holcombe, H.  
H. Horsey, Mrs. H. H. Horsey, Mr.  
Houston, Mrs. Houston, Miss A. M.  
Hunt, W. Hutchison, Miss Johnson, P.  
R. Jones, H. E. Kahn, O. von Kapp, C.  
H. Lazard, C. V. Lloyd, H. J. and  
Courier Mason, Mrs. H. J. Mason, J. P.  
McGoy, Rev. M. G. MacGraw and wife,  
2 children, Master McGraw, G. A. Mc-  
Graw, R. P. McGrath, Mrs. R. P. Mc-  
Grath, W. E. Miles-Robertson, Miss E.  
S. Mitchell, C. E. Morford, W. J.  
Myatt, Mrs. W. J. Myatt, Mrs. S. E.  
Newton, Miss Nichols, F. J. Newbury,  
Mrs. F. J. Newbury, J. E. Norton, Pay-  
master C. H. O'Leary, T. S. N. Mrs. C.  
R. O'Leary and child, J. Orange, A. G.  
Paton, George R. Pereira, Miss Dr. N.  
M. Phillips, Lieut. T. E. Pooley, A. J.  
Richardson, Miss E. D. Robertson, R. J.  
Robertson, Mrs. S. Robinson, Major C.  
E. Salverson, R. E. John Shearer, Jr.,  
Miss Slake, Mrs. Oliver Smith, Miss Dr.  
S. H. Smith, Rev. W. E. Smith, Mrs.  
W. E. Smith and 3 children, Hugh S.  
Smith, W. G. St. Clair, Capt. E. A.  
Stoedter, Carl Strakosch, Mrs. Carl  
Strakosch, Miss Strakosch, H. A. Tash,  
E. C. Taylor, Arthur Turner, J. J. Van  
Allen and valet, L. Veyret, Mr. Wahl,  
Mrs. Wahl, Lieut. C. E. Wallace, H. Wahl,  
Warren, Mrs. H. M. Warren, Miss War-  
ren, H. M. Warren, Jr., Master D. S.  
Warren, Master R. F. Warren, Mrs.  
Watson, G. L. Watson, R. D. Webster,  
Wm. Whistler, Mrs. Wm. Whistler, Miss  
Whistler, S. White, Miss E. Williams,  
W. H. Wilson, Mrs. Lee Yick Yon and 3  
children.

### THE AUSTRALIAN SUBSIDY.

"After a lengthy term of strenuous  
competition with the Oceanic Steamship  
Company of San Francisco, the Union  
Steamship Company, of New Zealand,  
has just secured the government sub-  
sidies for the transportation of the British  
mails to and from Australia," says the  
Vancouver Province.

"B. W. Greer, general Pacific coast  
agent of the Union Steamship Company,  
has received a cable from the general  
manager in Dunedin, New Zealand, to  
the effect that the company had secured  
the government contract for a period of  
two years. The company held the sub-  
sidy until the first of the present month  
when its former contract ran out. Mr.  
Greer is authorized by the statement that  
it is extremely likely, now that the Union  
company had secured the contract, that  
a new modern steamer will be placed on  
the run between Vancouver and Sydney  
in place of the steamship Mowera. Be-

side the new vessel there will be the  
Mowra and the Aurora, on the run.  
Both the latter are fine vessels and a  
credit to the route.

"During the past year, the Oceanic  
Steamship Company, of San Francisco,  
put forth great efforts to secure the sub-  
sidies which have just been awarded to  
the Union company. The Americans  
even went so far as to arrange a special  
train service between San Francisco and  
New York that the mails might be  
handled as expeditiously as possible."

### ROSALIE DELAYED.

This morning the steamer Rosalie was  
late in arriving from the Sound, and she  
will be late in reaching port again to-  
morrow morning, for the reason that she  
is burning coal of a very inferior quality.  
A few days ago the captain endeavored  
to get his usual supply of black diamonds  
at Seattle, but was told that his order  
could not be filled, and that instead he  
could have the inferior coal which he called  
Raven coal, or go without. The captain  
has therefore to take what he can get,  
but is unable to make schedule time on  
that which he is now burning. But the  
Rosalie is not the only steamer which  
suffers from the Sound and report has it  
that unless the coal situation improves  
over there that a number of the large  
steamers will be obliged to tie up. A  
couple, it is stated, are now paying de-  
murrage because of being unable to fill  
orders within contract time. The situa-  
tion at Victoria is unchanged.

### MARINE NOTES.

A Halifax dispatch of May 12th says:  
It is feared that the schooner Laura C.  
Capt. Greaser, which left here for Louis-  
bourg to load coal for Yarmouth in April  
8th, has been lost. No word has been  
received from her since that date. The  
vessel carried a crew of seven men."

When the tug Samson arrived from the  
Sound a few days ago with a couple of  
barges of coal for local merchants she  
carried a double gang of men for the  
working of the cargo. In this way local  
laborers were not required to handle her  
freight.

Tug Wanderer came across from the  
Sound last evening for the barque Rank-  
leigh, which has been repairing on the  
Esquimalt Marine Railway, and which  
tows to Whistler to receive cargo.  
The British ship Eva Montgomery,  
Capt. Harrison, has completed loading  
her cargo of lumber at the Hastings Mill.  
She has on board 1,493,350 feet of rough  
lumber for Callos.

Tug Lorne left for Vancouver last  
night to tow the ship Eva Montgomery  
to sea.

### UNANIMOUS VERDICT.

From our many articles the past few  
weeks received from various sources it  
will be seen that the comedy farce, "A  
Wise Woman," is a strictly first class  
attraction with more originality and  
novel features than any company that  
has yet visited us. It remains to be  
seen how they will be appreciated.

Ralph Leeman, driver of the truck  
team at headquarters' fire station, had a  
miraculous escape from being crushed to  
death this morning. About 9 o'clock he  
took his team out for exercise and drove  
down Douglas towards Discovery street,  
when he was about to make the turn  
down Discovery street a passing street  
car frightened the animals. They turned  
suddenly and started in an opposite  
direction; but they were quickly stop-  
ped by an electric light pole on the cor-  
ner. They struck the pole with such  
force as to snap the tongue of the ex-  
ercise wagon in two, and continued to-  
wards the pole until the seat upon which  
the driver was sitting was right against  
the pole. Leeman, seeing the predicament  
he was in, spread his legs, and when  
the rig stopped he was astride the pole.  
Those who witnessed the affair say that  
Leeman had a very narrow escape from  
being killed. Chief Watson made an investigation of the affair, and  
found that it was purely accidental, and  
a few dollars will cover the breakage on  
the wagon.



How an abscess in the Fal-  
lopian Tubes of Mrs. Hollinger  
was removed without a surgical  
operation.

"I had an abscess in my side in the  
fallopian tube (the fallopian tube is a connection of the ovaries).  
I suffered untold misery and was  
so weak I could scarcely get around.  
The sharp burning pains low down  
in my side were terrible. My physi-  
cian said there was no help for me  
unless I would go to the hospital  
and be operated on. I thought  
before that I would try Lydia E.  
Pinkham's Vegetable Compound  
which, fortunately, I did, and it has  
made me a stout, healthy woman.  
My advice to all women who suffer  
with any kind of female trouble is  
to commence taking Lydia E.  
Pinkham's Vegetable Compound  
at once."—Mrs. I. A. S. HOLLINGER,  
Stillville, Ohio.—\$5000 reward for original  
of this letter.

It would seem from this state-  
ment that women would save  
time and much sickness if they  
would get Lydia E. Pinkham's  
Vegetable Compound at once,  
and also write to Mrs. Pinkham  
at Lynn, Mass., for special ad-  
vice. It is free and always helps.  
No other person can give such  
helpful advice as Mrs. Pinkham  
to women who are sick.

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Native Port ... 25c

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**Fred. Carne, Jr.**

COR. YATES AND BROAD

### HISTORY OF THE SUBSIDY BLOCKS

(Continued from page 1.)

other was for crown granting to Colum-  
bia and Western for sections 1 and 3.  
Mr. Wells said the Columbia & West-  
ern first came before him in the telegram  
sent by Mr. Taylor to Mr. Eberts, ask-  
ing for the transfer. He was in the At-  
torney-General's office. They discussed  
the carrying out of the proposition of Mr.  
Taylor. He first opposed it because  
it was contrary to the Subsidy Act. Mr.  
Eberts wrote perhaps two telegrams, but  
was not satisfied with them. Finally  
wrote one with the single word "Impos-  
sible." He did not know that this mes-  
sage was sent. He understood that it  
was to be sent. This was probably in  
June or July.

On 10th August the order-in-council  
was passed granting this transfer.  
Mr. Helmecken wanted to know what  
led to the change.

Mr. Wells said he was away at the  
time it was decided. He remembered of  
Mr. Brown, making the proposal. He  
told him to make the proposal to the  
government. He could not remember  
that he promised to support this.

He went away on the 27th July. He  
did not see the proposal it made by Mr.  
Brown.

He understood that the executive had  
settled while he was absent that these  
blocks were to be given to the Colum-  
bia & Western from the B. C.  
Southern. He did not know that he as-  
serted the reason for this from his  
colleagues.

He remembered that he had one con-  
versation with the Attorney-General,  
when Mr. Eberts said that if the Colum-  
bia & Western wanted these lands  
he thought it should make no difference  
if it got them, when they were really  
dealing with the same company as parts  
of the C.P.R. This was probably before  
10th August, 1901. He thought it took  
place in Mr. Eberts's room.

Mr. Helmecken pressed for an answer  
as to whether he was not deeply concern-  
ed in this. A Minister of Lands and  
Works he would be interested.

Mr. Wells said it was a matter of pol-  
icy to the government. It was done in  
his absence at the meeting on the 31st  
July and 2nd August. Mr. Turner, Mr.  
Eberts, Mr. McCrease and Mr. Prentice  
were present at that meeting.

Mr. Helmecken wanted to know if it  
was not a strange thing to act on such  
an important matter affecting his depart-  
ment during his absence.

Mr. Wells admitted that he thought it  
was rather strange. He said that he dis-  
cussed this matter with Mr. Turner or  
his colleagues after 10th of August, in  
which dissatisfaction was expressed on  
this subject. He did not know that he  
went to the Attorney-General for ad-  
vice on this matter.

Taking up the letter dated 11th of  
November, written by Mr. Wells to Mr.  
Brown, in which he referred to the let-  
ter of 31st July, Mr. Helmecken wanted  
to know if this latter letter would be  
the one handed to Mr. McNeill address-  
ed to Mr. Wells and handed to the ex-  
ecutive in his absence.

Mr. Wells said that not having seen  
the letter of 31st July he could not have  
referred to it. He accounted for this  
as being a mistake some way in dating.  
After getting Mr. Hunter's opinion  
witness may have been satisfied with the  
legality of the grants. He was still dis-  
satisfied with it as a matter of policy.  
He thought he gave instructions in his  
department that the crown grants should  
not be handed over until they were again  
submitted to him. He had the grants  
prepared in pursuance of the order-in-  
council.

He left for Montreal on the night of  
the 24th, the same day as Gordon Han-  
cock's opinion was dated. He saw Mr.  
Dunsinville previous to this. He brought  
to the attention of the Premier that he  
thought they had deviated from the  
spirit of the Subsidy Act. Mr. Dunsin-  
ville said that he had not so understood  
it. He did not remember that the Pre-  
mier gave his own understanding of it.

He went to Montreal on 24th October.  
He laid the matter before Sir Thos.  
Shaughnessy. The upshot was that the  
crown grants were not delivered and the  
negotiations were cut off for the time.

Last fall he saw Sir Thomas Shaugh-  
nessy and discussed the whole matter of  
land subsidies. Sir Thomas said he  
would send some one out whenever they  
were ready to settle.

"Did any member of the ministry urge  
you to deliver the crown grants after  
rescinding order was passed?" asked Mr.  
Helmecken.

Mr. Wells said he remembered that  
Mr. Dunsinville came to him in the House  
and urged him to deliver the crown  
grants. Witness held out, however, tell-  
ing him there were other things which  
he would tell him of later.

The Montreal incident was not one  
which had to do with the cancellation of  
the crown grants," asked Mr. Helmecken.  
"It had considerable to do with it,"  
Mr. Wells replied.

At 12 the commission adjourned, Mr.  
McPhillips stating that it would take  
him more than half an hour to examine  
Mr. Wells.

### ARRIVALS FROM SKEENA.

Boscovitz Had Couple of Passengers  
Who Came Down the River on  
Mount Royal.

The steamer Boscovitz arrived this  
morning from northern British Columbia  
ports after an uneventful trip. Calling  
at Vancouver on her return she landed  
all but two of the twenty-five passengers  
she had on board. These included a  
couple from the head of the Skeena, who  
came down the river on the Hudson Bay  
steamer Mount Royal, which had com-  
pleted her first round trip of the season  
before the steamer left. One of these  
men was Dr. Aiken, the owner of some  
coal property at the head of the river.

The Mount Royal found the water in  
the Skeena very low, but notwithstand-  
ing made good time.

Among other passengers who came  
south on the Boscovitz was a timber  
cruiser, named McKay, who has been  
working on the Mainland at a point  
almost opposite the northern end of this  
Island, and who leaves this evening for  
Seattle.

The Boscovitz has as part cargo re-  
turning a quantity of this season's pack  
of canned salmon from Herman's on the  
Skeena. She will sail again for northern  
British Columbia ports to-morrow night.

### THE CARNegie LIBRARY.

Report of Special Committee Giving Terms  
and Conditions of Competition.

According to the special committee's re-  
port, adopted at last Monday night's meet-  
ing of the city council giving in detail the  
terms and conditions of competition under  
which local architects are to be invited  
to submit plans and specifications for the  
Carnegie library, a board of three judges  
is to be appointed, composed of W. W.  
Northcott, building inspector, John Adams  
and William Henderson, of the public  
works department. These shall report on  
the plans submitted, picking the best three  
in order of merit. No plans of any build-  
ing shall be considered, which, in the op-  
inion of the judges, shall exceed in cost  
the sum of \$45,000. The architect of the plans  
considered best shall be placed in charge  
of the works, and shall be entitled to a  
commission of 5 per cent. of the cost of  
the work. The competitors who are placed  
second and third are to receive \$100 and  
\$75, respectively.

The plans of the building shall show the  
proposed method and arrangement of heat-  
ing and ventilating the building, and all  
including these fixtures, book stacks and  
everything but furniture is not to exceed  
the price mentioned. The land on which  
the building is proposed to be erected has  
a frontage of 90 feet on Yates street by  
120 feet on Blanchard street. The building  
is to be two stories with basement.

The ground floor is to be at least five  
feet above the sidewalk level on Yates  
street. The building is to be flush with  
the line of Blanchard street and set back  
five feet from the line of Yates street,  
and have a frontage of 100 feet and 55  
feet respectively. The main entrance is to  
be on Yates street, and proper accommo-  
dation is to be provided for the janitor  
in the basement.

The exterior of the building on the  
streets mentioned is to be of stone and the  
roofing material of slate or copper. The  
interior is to be finished generally in first-  
class style. The building is to be lighted  
with electricity, but provision for gas is  
to be made throughout the entire building.

### VANCOUVER NOTES.

The Typographical Union and the  
printers have arrived at an amicable  
agreement of the hours to be worked by  
the job men. From May 12th the day  
is 8 hours and on May 24th, 1904, the  
8-hour day will go into effect. The wages  
will remain the same, namely, \$21 per  
week.

R. H. Strany died at the city hospital  
on Sunday, aged 43 years. He came from  
Germany some years ago, and was a  
well known official of this city. He  
leaves a widow and family to mourn his  
loss.

Death has removed Mrs. Vaughan,  
wife of Major Vaughan, the well known  
surveyor of this city. She was the only  
daughter of the late Capt. John Camer-  
on, Royal Engineers.

A philologist says that the bumps on a  
married man's head frequently indicate the  
possession of a strenuous wife.

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one lady to represent a well-known in-  
surance. Must be well and favorably  
known in Victoria. Address E. Ellis,  
Dominion hotel, or call after 4 p.m.

TO RENT—Room and board in private  
house, married couple, or two sharing  
rooms, \$5 per week each. Apply 137  
Quadrant street. Phone 250.

TO LET—Cottage, 57 Port street. Apply  
Dr. Carter.

APPLICATIONS for the position of secre-  
tary of the B. C. Agricultural Associa-  
tion will be received up to Monday eve-  
ning, the 18th inst., at 8 p.m., to be ad-  
dressed to A. G. McCannell, president.

WANTED—A man's bike, small frame,  
must be cheap. Apply room 60, Board of  
Trade building.

### THE TALLY-HO.

Visitors and residents wishing to join  
parties on a drive around the city on this  
handsome turn-out are requested to regis-  
ter their names either at the Tourist  
rooms or the Victoria Transfer Company  
each day before 12 noon. On the last  
of June the coach will commence regular  
daily trips.

## BASEBALL

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LOPEZ TEAM

OF SEATTLE.

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